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# The Editor's Page

#### Membership Dues

A release from the Illinois Association of the Deaf on the N.A.D. pages this month mentions the fact that membership dues in the Association are one dollar "from convention to convention." Since the Association meets every three years, this means that the cost of being a member of the state association amounts to but thirty-three and one-

third cents per year.

We have not checked on membership dues in other states, but we believe they are about the same as in Illinois. We believe this is a ridiculously low figure for membership in an association of any kind in these times, and we believe the people should show enough interest in their associations to pay more. In many states, however, comparatively few of the deaf citizens are members of their associations, even at these ridiculously low figures. State association officials find it necessary to spend a large portion of their time going after members and carrying on fund campaigns in order to keep their organizations going.

The members of a state association. and, in fact, all the deaf of the state, look to their association to protect all their interests. The officials are expected to get jobs for those who are unemployed. They are expected to keep their eyes on legislative measures, to see that nothing goes into the hopper which might in some way discriminate against the deaf. They are expected to protect the interests of deaf drivers, to rid the state of undesirable elements inimical to the best interests of the deaf, to see that deaf children have the best educational facilities obtainable, to arrange for comfortable care of those who become too old and feeble to work, and to publish an official organ telling all about their numerous activities. If the officials fall short of the mark in carrying out some duty expected of them, they are loudly condemned for ther inactivity and accused of everything nefarious. The loudest complaints frequently come from some individual who has not even paid his 33 1/3 cents for the year.

It is the same with the national association. Annual membership dues in the National Association of the Deaf are two dollars. Membership dues are not at this time and never have been sufficient for the Association to carry on its many activities. Its officials have to continually scratch for funds to keep everything moving.

The deaf as a whole take little part in the active work of their organizations. They leave that to their officials. Since they are not called upon to carry any of the load, we see no reason why they would not be willing to pay more in membership dues. It is probable that there is no other organization with membership dues as low as those of organizations of the deaf. We have to pay more to be a member of a local club, whose functions are entirely social, than we pay to be a part of a state or national organization.

We believe our state associations and the national association deserve greater membership strength in both numbers and dollars, and we recommend that they consider increasing their dues. We believe that when people realize the needs of their associations and the things they can accomplish, they will be will-

ing to pay larger dues.

#### Who Is the Oldest?

Here is an item we have lifted from the copy we received for "Ken's

Korner," page 17:

Mr. Albert W. Thomas, a former resident of Newark, N.J., now at Gallaudet Home for the Aged Deaf, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. has recently turned 93, - evidently out to beat the longevity record of Methuselah! We'd like to have the name of any older deaf person, still living.

Is there a deaf person in the United States older than Mr. Thomas of New Jersey? If so, The SILENT WORKER would like to know who that might be. In fact, if we can run down the oldest deaf person, we will publish his or her

picture, if we can get it

Some time ago some smart aleck writing for the papers made the statement that the deaf die comparatively young, due to the fact that they are lonely, or that they are melancholy, or something like that. The fact that the N.F.S.D. is one of the strongest of all insurance organizations should prove that the writer was wrong. A glance at the vital statistics occasionally published in The Silent Worker shows that many of our people live to ripe old ages. We knew one deaf man who lived over a hundred years, and we believe there are some now who are close to that

At any rate, it would be interesting to know who is our oldest deaf brother or sister, so if you readers know of anyone older than 93, let us have his or her name and address. Since Ken's Korner originated the idea, we shall assign to Mr. Kenner the job of sorting out the replies we hope to receive and finding the oldest deaf person.

#### Convention Dates

Last month we published a list of state conventions scheduled for this spring and summer. Since then information as to others has come in. Conventions which were not included in last month's list are as follows:

Utah Association, Salt Lake City, May

Michigan Association, Flint, June 22-26. Georgia Association, Atlanta, July 2-5. Iowa Association, Council Bluffs, Aug. 25-29.

Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf, York, Aug. 27-29.

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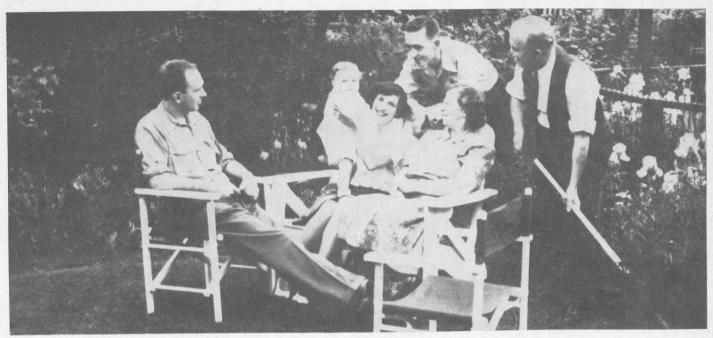
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The baby, Connie, is the Hazlitt family's pride. Left to right are her father, Ronald; her mother, Jessie; Uncle Arthur; and Grandparents.

## The Hazlitts, Incorporated

# AN UNUSUAL DEAF FAMILY

Lifting Themselves By Their Bootstraps in the Baby Industry — Screen Process Printing

By Mrs. Josephine Barr

NLY A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO the Scarboro municipality, removed by a scant 13 miles from Toronto in the northeastern district, was a sea of mud. Today its main thoroughfare, appropriately nicknamed "The Golden Mile," is lined with sparkling new industrial plants. As Metropolitan Toronto rapidly approaches the two-million population mark, the Scarboro region may be classed as a jewel in the metropolitan setting. European commercial firms, licking their war wounds in the Old World, are getting a fresh lease on the business front along this modern Appian way. Enterprising American manufacturers, not to be outdone, are crowding their international competitors in this fast-expanding region.

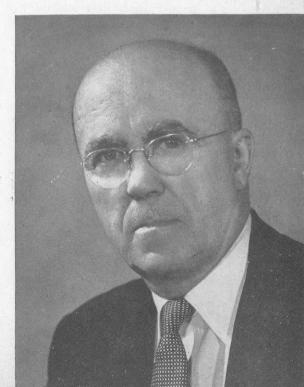
Wives of workers in their dirty downtown plants protested against the smog of the city ruining their Monday morning washings. Homes began to spring up in the vicinity of those Scarboro industries. Then super-markets began to follow the homes—chain or independent drug stores, hardware, bakery and dress shops, lunch rooms, barber shops, filling stations and apartments also scrambled for building space. For entertainment bowling alleys and theatres were built up.

Among the far-sighted and enterprising industrialists located in this Scarboro area are the Hazlitt family, all bereft of hearing, founders and administrators of the booming Excelsior Screen Process Ltd.

Deaf persons are usually human and they follow trends as a rule. The Hazlitt family, true to their Irish temperament, were the leaders in the move to industrialize Scarboro. Little did they dream at the time they began their licensed business career in these pioneer surroundings that they were acting as pace setters for 'The Golden Mile," acclaimed now as an industrial phenomenon of Canada. For the first four years the family carried on their graphic arts business in the basement of their home. Business became so good that even the laundry room of the basement was taken over. Washing became a secondary consideration with this business-minded

In 1952 business was booming even more so for the Hazlitts who were obliged to scour Toronto for enlarged quarters. They found an abandoned wartime munitions building comprising 14,000 square feet owned by the Scarboro municipality. They leased under attractive terms two out of three sections of this huge, sprawling establish-

William Hazlitt, talented Toronto deaf man of many-faceted personality, who helped his two deaf sons set up a thriving business. ment which had lain unused for three years following the end of World War II. Several months afterwards they got news that this plant was sold to a private realty company from New York City which also gobbled up 22 other promising real estate developments in Toronto. Negotiations resulted in the Hazlitts' acquiring this property on a five-year rental basis with an option to buy it — the monthly rental payments forming the piece-meal means of liquidation of the mortgage. Long disuse of this



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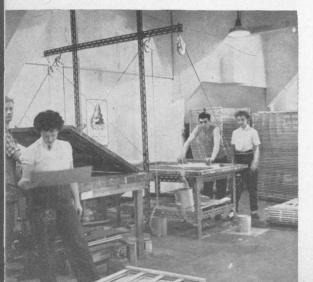


Making 14,000 square feet of an abandoned war munitions plant count in the build-up of Excelsior Process. The Hazlitts use about 8,000 sq. ft. and rent the rest of the building.

building used for the making of war explosives resulted in considerable need of renovation of the interior part of the place which the Hazlitts promptly attended to. The premises now bear witness to many modern improvements. Several quarters of the plant have been leased to cushion the new owners against their heavy financial obligations. With the exception of one small stockholder, the Excelsior Screen Process Ltd. is completely owned by the Hazlitt family.

The Hazlitts woke up one morning to discover that the combined family capacity to work was insufficient and that extra help was imperative. They presently employ three hearing girls, four hearing men and five skilled deaf artisans. The two Hazlitt boys—Arthur and Ronald — are kingpins in the Excelsior set-up. In addition to their responsibilities as top executives they also handle all the intricate stencil cuttings and the preparation of photographic screens. Whenever a baby-sitter is to be had, Jessie slips into the Excelsior office to lend her shoulder to the wheel of progress, while Dorothy after

A scene in the printing department of Excelsior Screen Process. George Calder, wearing plaid shirt, is the expert pressman. Others are hearing employees.



a full day's work as a typist with a leading concern, also does part-time work in evenings for her husband. Art and Ron developed their final

liking for their present career through a roundabout way. At the Belleville School for the Deaf their talent for art stood out in bold relief in the commercial art course. After school they were placed in small shops handling cuttings for crests for athletic jerseys. Seeking greener pastures, Art and Ron finally worked their way into commercial silk screen process shops where they were convinced lay their future life work. Here they mastered all the tricks of the trade — processing posters, animated displays, mobile exhibits and the shimmering effects of multicolored flocking. In evenings they toiled away until late hours in their home basement on private orders until they gained full confidence in their ability to strike out for themselves.

When opportunity knocked at their door, they were ready to demonstrate as businessmen the superiority of the silk screen process over the old and expensive copper plate method. Advertising agencies were quick to notice that the Excelsior Screen Process jobs carried greater lustre with so many more colors so inexpensively done and so much more quickly too. They have made important direct connections with big business houses such as General Motors, Canadian General Electric, Massey-Harris-Ferguson, Admiral Television Corp., Elizabeth Arden and a host of other commercial bigwigs. They all insist on that Excelsior touch and the leading advertising agencies, for long keeping a sharp eye on the Excelsior products, are now convinced they did not make any mistake in putting the plant run by the Hazlitts into the preferred category when awarding contracts.

The Hazlitt family had previously purchased a 1½-acre plot in East York for \$3,000 and sold the uncultivated land shortly after for \$10,000 to enable them to lease the enlarged Scarboro premises. When the Hazlitts first opened the old munitions buildings for business it was all in one room. Step by step they remodelled the interior structure. The family built their own work tables and screen frames. In this whole venture cooperation was something which the family took to heart to accomplish a herculean task. Six years ago the Hazlitts had nothing. Now they have a thriving concern valued at \$30,000.00 with bright prospect for a more rapid expansion.

The Hazlitts can use 17 colors in a single process. Where the engraving methods would make the job hopelessly



Brothers Art and Ron compare notes and plan strategy on one of their intricate jobs at the Excelsior Screen Process Ltd., a business they started in their basement.

expensive, the new process can do the multicolored trick with ease and cheaply too. An order for 500 display cards 40" x 60" using six colors can be finished in three days. It takes only three days to push through 300 display cards of this size using 11 colors while 4,000 posters half the size done in 14 colors can be readied for delivery in one week. Banners are made from screens 4" x 7" up to 4 x 12 feet. After use the screens are cleaned with solvent and used again and again. This alone makes for a cheaper process than the old halftone or letterpress plate method. Later on when finances permit, the Hazlitts hope to install special presses to handle printing on either thick or thin sheets at a faster and more economical clip than is possible now.

Besides using the silk screen process for which Switzerland silk is used, the firm also uses stainless steel plates on which the picture in use is superimposed by an automatic arc lamp. This is the photography room and is in charge of Clifford Randall, one of the deaf employees who hails from Newfoundland whose government prior to

Husky Bob Pierce is totally deaf but it does not prevent him from becoming a master ink mixer. He is his own boss in this department of the firm.





Mrs. Jessie Hazlitt puts in her penny's worth at Excelsior office. Wife of Ronald, she was the former Jessie Auld of Fort William, Ontario. Her father supplied the firm's air compressor motor.

its union with Canada was able to afford him only two years of actual schooling in Nova Scotia. In the school of hard knocks Cliff turned his early disadvantages to good use—at work he uses his brains and deft hands.

How well art sketches are prepared spells the difference between success and failure in getting orders from hardboiled businessmen. Of equal importance in winning customer support and in bringing repeat orders is the task of expert stencil cutting, strictly a Hazlitt family monopoly. Next thing of great consequence is the rare skill in mixing and blending of inks - a responsibility of another deaf man, Bobby Pierce, who is convinced that about twelve jobs which he held before have nothing on the one he now loves. Bobby looks after the paint room where are kept specially imported paints of all colors of high quality and kept a strict trade secret. The contents of this single room alone are worth \$2,000 and the supply and quality never go low.

A small room next to the paint room

Cliff Randall, in charge of the photography department, exhibits a positive film prior to production via silk screen process. He finds his deafness enables him to concentrate on job.



houses the air compressor motor which was supplied by Mr. C. A. Auld, father-in-law of Ronald, of Fort William, Ont. As a member of the firm, the compressor paid for his shares in it. Compressed air at 200-lb. pressure is used and it runs the sander in the woodworking room across the hall, and is also used for spraying of the wood displays with lacquer or dulux.

In the woodworking room are also found a lathe, a dust collector, a table saw and a work table. A band saw will soon furnish evidence of expanding facilities. Here one also notes hoses and air regulators for use in connection with the air compressor. Back in their private dwelling house at Cleveland Street, and to be found in the basement workrooms are one more sander, a jig-saw and a floor model drill press. Ronald is using them there at present to remodel his mother's kitchen in his spare time..

An additional sideline is the use of their process to insert lines and numbers on glass for radio dials, meters and to paint designs on cloth for children's cowboy outfits. They also produce artistic Christmas cards and wrapping paper.

How about the portait gallery of the Hazlitt clan, you ask. They say that seven is a lucky number which may be the reason for Dame Fortune smiling so much on this unusual family. First let us size up Papa and Mama Hazlitt, then their two sons, Arthur and Ronald. Next we get a good look at Arthur's wife, Dorothy as well as Ronald's wife, Jessie not forgetting their little daughter, Connie.

William Henry Hazlitt, the head of the family, born January 7, 1892, in Toronto, had interesting forebears. His father after whom he was named came from Ireland in his youth to settle in Barrie, Ontario. After his marriage he moved to Toronto. But before switching his residence the old man created quite a furor in walking marathons, then a most popular pastime. Carrying the standard of Barrie he pitted his heel and toe walk against leading competitors in walking, running and roller-skating. He emerged as the champion heel and toe walker of Canada. William Jr. still has a scrapbook full of newspaper clippings attesting to the succession of athletic triumphs of his father who founded the Queen City Plate and Glass Company when he moved to Toronto. This thriving concern the old man directed until his premature death at the age of 43 years.

William Jr., the second child of five, lost his hearing in early infancy. His two sisters are deaf but both of the brothers have their entire faculties intact. One of his sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Drew, died in 1953 and the other, Mrs.



Staff of Excelsior Screen Procss. In front row are grouped seven deaf employees, including Art and Ron Hazlitt at extreme ends, who are the bosses. In rear are hearing employees.

Gerald Huband, wife of a mail sorter of long standing in the Ottawa Post Otfice, still resides in the National Capital.

William was seven when he entered the Belleville School where he remained for nine years. His first teacher was a deaf man, Mr. McKillop, the first of his kind ever appointed to this school faculty. He was a kindly side-whiskered gentleman who inspired his students to deeply appreciate the spiritual values of life. Mrs. Sylvia Balis, another brilliant deaf teacher who later moved to California and died there in her advanced eighties, continued to mould him. His only hearing teacher was Dr. Thomas Forrester, later to head for many vears the famous Rochester School. He was one of the three distinguished British Toms who after short Canadian residences proceeded to occupy prominent administrative positions in American schools. The late Dr. McAloney was the driving force behind the Colorado School and the late Mr. Thomas Rodwell exerted profound influence at the Minnesota and Manitoba Schools. William Hazlitt closed his school days under

Some of the classy output at the Excelsion Silk Screen Process. Such work makes satisfied customers, who come from miles around with repeat orders.





William Hazlitt instructing a student in the fine art of finishing a copper plate—his life-time specialty.

another deaf woman, the late Miss Georgina Lynn who died recently in her late nineties. Supt. Robert Mathison was then superintendent of the Belleville School which he maintained as a combined system stronghold for 25 years before he resigned to become administrator of the Independent Order of Foresters.

Barely 16 when he faced the cold and hard world, William was singled out by Fred Brigden to take up missionary work among the deaf. From that day up to now covering a span of 43 years William has been an inspiring leader in church work for the Ontario deaf. He is an accomplished lay-reader who packs the church every time his turn comes to occupy the pulpit.

William's first job was in a printshop but he soon disdained a printorial career and instead took up jewelcraft. Setting pearls did not suit his artistic ability and through his mother's influence he was apprenticed for four years to a jewelry firm where he learned engraving. William recalls his starting salary of \$1.50 a week for the first two years. Fortunately, in those days a cent was worth more than a nickel today. The third year his salary was upped to \$3.50 weekly and during his final vear of apprenticeship he was earning \$4.50 a week. When his time was up and a raise refused William turned to his next love-photo-engraving. He was now drawing \$6.50 a week for two vears. Then a union was formed and his wages went up to \$17.00 a week (considered topnotch in those days). A few months later his pay envelope contained a \$24.00 weekly stipend and kept fattening until he became a journeyman.

In 1922 William attended a convention of the O.A.D. in Hamilton. He was then 30 and when his eye caught sight of winsome Elsie Montgomery, he laid siege to her heart and a few months

later he carried off as his bride a farmer's daughter from Wingham. This town is also the birthplace of Walt Disney, creator of Mickey Mouse cartoons. Elsie, who is also a Belleville School graduate, is patiently doing research work into her family tree to prove that she is a lineal descendant of Viscount Montgomery who outwitted Marshal Rommel and his Afrikan Korps, the desert rats chased out of North Africa. So far clues have been convincing as to kindred family ties, because both families come from the same town in Ireland and bear striking physionomical features.

Seeking greener fields, William Hazlitt went off to Chicago, leaving his wife behind. Ill health sent him home again within six weeks. The following year his migratory tendency landed him in Toledo but once more his deteriorating health brought him back to Toronto where he decided to cast his anchor for keeps. He accepted a position with the Photo-Engravers and Electrotype Ltd., where this year he was given a full month's holiday with pay as a reward for his loyal service of 25 years.

William is a charter member of Toronto Division No. 98, N.F.S.D., having joined it in 1924. At one time he was vice-president of the local division. His two boys have followed their father's footsteps.

William and Elsie are the proud parents of Arthur, born in 1923 and Ronald, born in 1928. Both are deaf and like their parents, are O.S.D. graduates. Art and Don are duplicating their father's artistic tastes in many things. William is a keen amateur photographer. He owns two cameras—an Exakta and a Swedish Haselblad. With the latter he constantly makes fine color photos. He photographs anything from the blooms in his garden to sunsets in color. He follows this up with the finishing and mounting of special films. He is a proud owner of a projector and a portable radiant color-master screen. Entertaining is a delightful vocation with William here. He just sets up his projector and screen and wows his visitors with a bewildering maze of color slides -thousands of them in two sizes. Gardening is another hobby of his. He has turned his backyard into a place of beauty with seasonal flowers. Their home is all paid for and contains every conceivable labor-saving device. William and Elsie love to travel and while they have never owned nor driven a car, their sons invested in an 88 Oldsmobile shared by the entire family during long trips on this continent. Once their car broke down in Atlanta, Georgia and needed a major overhaul of three days.

Ron and Jessie Hazlitt, both exponents of careful driving, with their 88 Olds.

The resourceful William found work with a city engraving firm to help pay for the bill. William is a strict teetotaler, a quality inherited by his two sons. From time to time the father takes up intricate jewelry engraving work as a sideline —a skill not lost in the 43 years since he was apprenticed to this trade.

Through all of their married life William had the devoted backing of his wife, Elsie, equipped with an uncanny business acumen. This ability came to the fore in the early stages of the Excelsior Screen Process Ltd., where costly business blunders were frequently averted through the mother's sound judgment. Elsie is an active church worker and excels in needlecraft. Now that she has a little granddaughter she spends hours on end making snow suits and lovely dresses for the winsome Connie.

By nature a modest and self-effacing man, William's genius for engraving came to light not long ago through a trick of Fate. The little magazine, Gossip, was ready for the press when the horrified editor discovered that the new telephone exchange letters had not been changed on the expensive cut. Several engraving firms were contacted in the hope that one of them could obliterate "EL" and insert "EM." There were no takers for the job on short order.

The frantic editor finally took up with Mr. Ken Wright of Photo-Engravers and he said it would be handled good and nice — and in a hurry too. When the zinc plate came back with the correction so perfectly effected the curiosity of the astounded editor mounted as to the identity of the wonder craftsman. Mr. Wright supplied the information that he was a man who could neither hear nor speak. Kaye Peer, of the Gossip staff, descended upon the Hazlitt domicile for an interview and as a result two fascinating stories with double-page length pictorial illustrations broke out in the "Gossip" and also in the Toronto Telegram Week-End.

Both Arthur and Ronald are married



now, Arthur having joined the Benedict Club less than a year ago. The girl of his dreams is the former Dorothy O'Neill of Toronto who attended both the Belleville and the St. Mary's School in Buffalo. Both Art and Ron had brilliant academic careers where they won prizes for proficiency. Ronnie's education was interrupted during the war vears when the Belleville School was taken over by the Royal Canadian Air Force for training purposes. He was transferred to a day school in Toronto for a while. With an I.Q. of 132, this school was not far enough advanced for Ronnie so he quit it to take up a two-year course in commercial art at the Northern Vocational School. Arthur is at present president of the 50-50 young people's club at the church. This name came about because half of its members are married and the other half are unattached.

The Ontario Association of the Deaf owes a debt of gratitude to Arthur for his incomparable art service rendered without any charge during many laborious hours on its bi-monthly journal. When it was first launched the O.A.D. could not afford to have it printed the regular way in a commercial shop, so for a few years it stooped to the mimeographing process. To remove its drab look. Art ungrudgingly gave of his previous spare time to embellishing it with artistic mastheads, departmental ornaments and voluntarily keeping up this high standard of illustrations year after year until by a good stroke of luck the editors found a modern printshop where the O.A.D. News was to be published at cost. At the same time Jessie Hazlitt was an angel in disguise as she manipulated the Gestetner machine to produce the early issues of the O.A.D. News. But for their timely help there is no telling but that the destiny of the O.A.D. with its record-breaking membership rolls soaring over the 1,000 mark might have been a different one.

In 1949 Ronald wooed and won the heart of winsome Jessie Auld of Fort William, another O.S.D. graduate noted for winning of proficiency prizes. Jessie was employed for ten years prior to her marriage by the Gestetner Company where she became an expert in stencil work, a talent which was destined to make her extremely valuable to the Excelsior Screen Process Ltd.

Brimming over with youthful zest, oozing with talent and backed by strong characters, the Hazlitt chips off the old block can afford to tell the rest of us to sit back and "watch our dust."

As for me I ask you to join with me in raising three lusty cheers for the Happy Hazlitts and their notable enterprise. Providence is said to "help those who help themselves," and the incredible Hazlitts are making 100% use of their God-given talents.

#### QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS

# Parliamentary Procedure

Bu Edwin M. Hazel

Qualified Parliamentarian, Member, the National Association of Parliamentarians and the Chicago Association of Parliamentarians



Q.. What should a member say when he is in need of information during a meeting?—B.E.

A. Say, "Mr. President, I have a 'Request for Information." The Chair will ask, "State your inquiry." A "Request for Information" does not require a second.

Q. Suppose a motion to amend (Subsidiary) is pending, may a motion to commit be made at the same time?-John R.

A. Yes, because the motion to commit ranks higher, therefore the lower ranking motion yields to it. (See Series No. 7—October, 1953 on ranking mo-

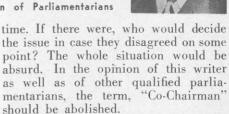
Q. May an amendment (Subsidiary) be laid on the table?

A. No. An amendment cannot be separated from the motion it modifies. If a main motion is laid on the table, pending amendments go with it to the table.

O. I cannot, to my satisfaction, find a definite interpretation of the word, "Co-Chairman" in any dictionary or parliamentary law book. Will you please explan it? -L.W.R.

A. (1) "Chairman" is ONE person who presides over an assembly or over a meeting of an organized group.

(2) The prefix, "Co," as defined in all dictionaries means "with," "together," "jointly," as illustrated in such words as Co-Partner, Co-Worker, Co-Pilot, etc. Thus, in defining or interpreting the word, "Co-Chairman" the dictionaries lead us to believe that two chairmen work together, and preside together at the same time! True, some people say there is no difference between cochairman and vice-chairman or assistant chairman. Also, "Co-Pilot" for instance, but one of two outranks the other and only one is at the controls at a time. It seems to me in accepting this explanation the matter rests on a hard-to-define foundation. It is terribly misleading, I fear, because the term, "co-chairman" is commonly accepted in one area to mean one thing, and in another area to mean another. A serious misunderstanding and consequent argument can ensue in dealings between such areas which cannot be settled — because there is no authoritative definition. Thus "co-chairmen" or "chairmen together' seems to convey different ideas to different people. There is no such thing as two chairmen presiding at the same

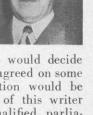


O. Please explain what I should do when a candidate is elected to an office by acclamation.—Secretary B.N.E.

A. If your bylaws permit it, the Chair should then instruct the Secretary or any other member as may be ordered by the assembly to cast the ballot for the candidate for the office. Voting by acclamation does not involve ballots, but means practically the same as vive voce (voice) vote. However, it implies a loud enthusiastic shout of approval. In our case, it means a unanimous show of hands. One dissenting vote would defeat the acclamation, after which the election must be by ballot. Also, if there is more than one candidate for any office, the vote must be by ballot. Hence, the Secretary or any member should write on a piece of paper the name of the candidate and standing say, "Mr. President" (or "Mr. Chairman"), by order of the assembly (name of your organization) "I hereby cast its ballot for Mr. . . . . . . for Treasurer." — (any office), and hand the paper to the Chair, whose duty it is to announce the result of the vote. But remember that if your bylaws require the election to be by ballot, vote by acclamation is never in order. The bylaws must therefore say this is permissible beforehand, so better insert a clause in the bylaws, e.g., "If there is but one candidate for an office, he may be elected by ordering the Secretary or any other member to cast the ballot.'

O. Suppose a motion to adopt a resolution (motion) was passed without having been seconded and discussed. Would such a motion be binding (legally enforceable)?—D.P.

A. Yes. If the motion to adopt was a recommendation of a committee, no second was needed. If the motion to adopt was made from the floor and was not seconded, but was voted on without an objection (point of order) being raised promptly after the motion was stated by the Chair, then it is too late effectively to raise the technical objection. It would be a waste of time to insist on a second when it is obvious from the voting that there is general support.



# Through The Sound Barrier

by Andrew Foster, Gallaudet College

The other day, I wobbled out of a small, two-seated aircraft and embraced good old terra firma. Thirty minutes of acrobatic flying had grounded my aerophobias — that is, when it involves a pilot minus his hearing. Thus, one more person stood awed at the unassuming abilities of Harold Laverl Wright.

One of five Wright brothers and sisters (sorry, no relation to Orville and Wilbur), Idaho-born Hal grew up in the Mormon faith on a ranch in Texas. One day when he was five years old, Hal's uncle landed a plane on their ranch and began three weeks of barnstorming. Getting his daily share of rides, it is no small wonder that young Hal decided then to follow his uncle's air trails some day. But as Hal approached his seventeenth birthday, an attack of spinal meningitis and the resulting total deafness darkened his hopes . . . for a while.

Hal made a rapid adjustment to his new circumstances, as he is often heard to say: "When I lost my hearing, I decided to make the best of this now silent world. I left home because I felt it would be better to learn to stand on my two feet away from home."

He was welcomed to Gallaudet College with the 1950 consignment of preparatory men. Moving around quietly amid flying fingers and squirming but silent lips, Hal soon directed his attention toward the sports life on the campus. He loves all sports, but has proved to be most proficient in wrestling and physical culture. In 1952, Hal won the District of Columbia A.A.U. 167-lb. Wrestling Championship, followed by the Mason-Dixie collegiate title a year later, and again last year. Now in his junior year, twenty-seven-year-old Hal is one of the best-liked men at Gallaudet. He is a member of the Kappa Gamma

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Harold Wright, Gallaudet College student, holder of private pilot's license.

fraternity and has held several offices in his class.

All these activities and interests, however, have failed to make Hal lose sight of his first love. Whenever the opportunity presents itself, he mounts his motorcycle and rides out to Queen Chapel Airport in nearby Hyattsville, Md. Hal said that while learning he usually had no difficulty in grasping instructions, because he would study his flying manual so well before arriving at the airport, that he anticipated what the instructor would say.

Last August, when Hal made his first cross-country solo to finish his qualifications for a pilot's license, there was no pompous send-off at the airport. Hal quietly packed his goggles, log book, and air map, and his lunch (three raw carrots). Mrs. Deborah Dorr, wife of the airport owner, warned Hal not to take chances, and added: "If it looks stormy, land. I'll come for you in the car." Hal laughed — not to scoff at the instructions, but because of his "blush-easy" nature.

Having successfully flown over the last hurdle, the Civil Aeronautics Administration waived Hal's deafness and granted him an unrestricted private pilot's license. Thus, Hal has joined the growing ranks of licensed pilots in the silent world. He is presently a member of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), a former member of the Airmen's Club, and also holds a TWA courtesy card. In amusing but vivid terms, Hal sums up his flying know-how this way: "... a compass and speed indicator plus a watch plus a map plus common sense."

We all anticipate some hair-raising events in the business of flying. When queried as to his most harrowing experience aloft, Hal recalled the incident in which his compass fouled. He was returning from Pennsylvania; night was setting in; fuel supply was low; and home was still some forty miles ahead. All of a sudden the compass went haywire, and Hal inadvertently strayed from his course. It became darker, and Hal decided to land on a farm, apologize, and then contact the airport. But as he swooped near a barn, he noticed on its roof some directional markings. Recognizing his position, he climbed back into the air and soared homeward - arriving, according to him, with about ten drops of fuel left.

As for the future, Hal says he is already sold on a \$1,000-per-month cropdusting job pending his graduation from Gallaudet. And, of course, he wants to settle down with a red-blooded sweetheart whose interests parallel his

He may not have long to wait.

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# Schools for the Deaf

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## The Michigan School

By George Lavos

George Lavos, who prepared this article, is no stranger to the pages of The Silent Worker, having collaborated with Earl Jones in a recent feature article. Mr. Lavos' writings range from chapters in a textbook used in special education teacher training to editing the Michigan School paper. For over ten years he has done guidance work at the Michigan School after having done similar work for a short time with the tuberculous and having taught the deafblind. He is a graduate of the College of the City of New York and of Columbia University. He took additional work at the University of Michigan as well.

HILE THE MORE IMPORTANT niches in Michigan's history in the mid 1850's are filled with such events as the construction of the Sault Saint Marie Canals and the organization of the Republican Party in Jackson, a lesser one is modestly occupied by the start of the first educational program for deaf and blind children in the State. The State's program dates from February 6, 1854, when the first pupil enrolled at the Michigan School for the Deaf in Flint. On that day in 1854 the Michigan School joined fifteen of her sister schools that had already served the deaf child for a full century and she shares 1954 with the Mississippi School as centennial year. In many additional ways as well the Michigan School is bound to other schools.

Established by legislative act in 1848.

it was not until six years later that it opened its doors. This period, paral-leled in the history of several other schools, was filled with efforts to secure financial support, to select a site for the school, to plan the structure, and to carry out other steps needed to open a school for the deaf. The school's first principal, Barnabas M. Fay, was trained in the education of the deaf at the New York School. Some of his successors were also from "York" State. Even the original plan for the structure to house the school was based on that of the New York School. Since the beginning days, however, there has been a counter movement as teachers and administrators have left the Michigan School to carry on the work for the deaf elsewhere. Even family traditions of service to the deaf have had their start at M.S.D. as names like Fay, Bangs, Buchanan, and others are recalled. Its training classes for teachers, now over 50 years old, have been an aid to not only the school itself but other schools as well. Research, carried on by its staff and published in professional periodicals, has been a source of knowledge for the profession. Other ties can be traced that knit the history and contributions of Michigan's own School to other schools and the profession as a

The Campus

Since its start the school has occupied a site at the west end of the city of Flint. Approximately 450 acres are now owned by the school with 50 acres used for buildings, playgrounds, an athletic field, roadways, and campus. The remainder is leased to the city and



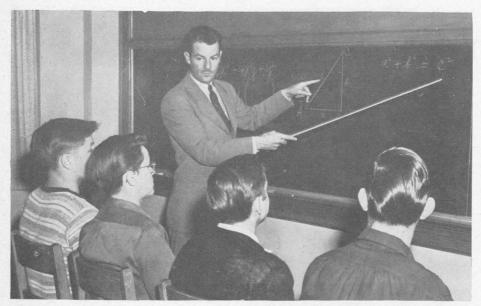
Bruce R. Siders, superintendent of the Michigan School, is a graduate of Michigan State Normal College and the University of Michigan. He is a candidate for a doctorate degree at Wayne University. He taught in the public schools for twenty years before coming to the school for the deaf. Prior to accepting the superintendency, he was director of special education in the Highland Park schools, Michigan.

is being developed into recreational areas for the use of the residents in the neighborhood which surrounds the school.

In architecture, the school is in the midst of a transition period shifting to low, wide-spreading, and many-win-dowed buildings. Three major build-ings are already constructed in this style; in the plans for the immediate future, one more major building is to be construted, a classroom building with attached gymnasium and vocational wing. Along an imaginary midline on the campus are three residences for the pupils enrolled in the school. Gilbert Hall, named after Isaac B. Gilbert, superintendent from 1922 to his death in 1939, houses the nursery-age children and the younger primary children. This residence, constructed in 1932, provides not only sleeping quarters and playrooms but a dining room for the youngest group of children enrolled at the school. Older primary and some intermediate-age pupils live in Stevens Hall, completed in 1949 and named in honor of two teachers at the Michigan School whose combined years of service totaled 70 years. Fay Hall, which perpetuates the memory of the first principal of the school, provides study rooms, bedrooms, and recreational areas for all older pupils. The children



Fay Hall, residence for older boys and girls. Constructed in 1915 on the site of the first school buildings, which were destroyed in the 1912 fire, the building was renovated in the 1940's and early 1950's.



Course of study at the Michigan School ranges from nursery classes for four-year-olds to preparation for college and industrial apprenticeship.

of Fay Hall and Stevens Hall eat in the Service Building which was constructed in 1942.

At the east end of the campus there is a classroom and vocational building now over 50 years old. Adjacent to it are the gymnasium and athletic field. There is also a practice house used in the homemaking education of older girls within a short distance of the classroom building. Near the string of three residences for the pupils there is the Health Center, and at the south end of the campus a new Power Plant was completed in 1953.

The Program

In this setting, well landscaped with shrubs and trees, there is carried on a modern educational program for approximately 400 deaf and severely hard-of-hearing children. Classes for children between the ages of four and nineteen are taught by a corps of over 55 teachers, more than half of whom hold master's degrees. All teachers have special training to teach the deaf, and in the roster of teachers of the past decade are alumni of virtually every

major college which trains teachers of the deaf. And on the education staff are seven alumni of Gallaudet College as well as two other deaf teachers who graduated from Michigan colleges. Nearly half of the deaf teachers hold master's degrees and all have chosen courses in local colleges to prepare themselves further for their chosen field of work. Michigan School for the Deaf teachers are not only specially prepared to teach the deaf but they have made contributions to the profession in several ways — writing professional articles, appearing on program of associations interested in the education of the deaf, and serving as officers of such associations.

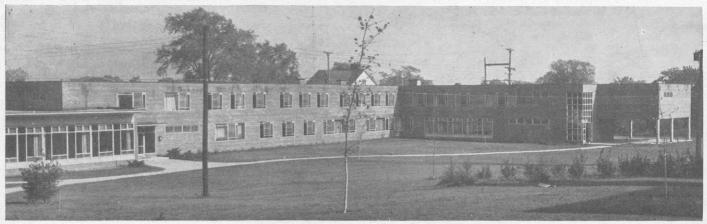
This teaching staff has set for itself the goal of educating the whole deaf child. Basic to this education is the establishment of communication skills in keeping with individual differences among deaf children. Although the conventionalized language of finger spelling and signs constituted the communication skills taught in the early days of the school, changes have been made dur-

ing the past century. In 1867, under the instruction of George L. Brockett, the first classes in speech and speechreading were started. From that time oral classes have been the core of instruction in communication. In 1899 the school's first electrical amplifier was purchased. Since then, especially after 1925, training residual hearing has been a much valued facet of the program. Today there are over twentyfive group hearing aids in use, and approximately one-fourth of the pupils have individual hearing aids. Auricular, manual, and oral methods, well buttressed by instruction in concise written expression and skilled reading, exist today side by side, keynoted by the principle that in varied ways of establishing communication the school can best meet the individual needs of deaf children without frustrating them.

As communication skills become established in the nursery and primary years, the pupils take their first steps, hesitant and short it is true, into the common school subjects. As they gain in skill, their stride lengthens and pace quickens. Their school day in the intermediate grades is filled with classes in communication skills, reading, language, arithmetic, social studies, science, and physical education. In addition, as they advance, they spend increasing time in industrial arts and later vocational education classes. There are, as well, homemaking classes for girls. The Michigan School started its vocational classes over seventy-five years ago when it opened courses in cabinetmaking, shoemaking (1870), and printing (1872). In the years that followed curriculum revisions were made to meet changes in Michigan industry.

Since the school is a residential school, it must maintain a broad program of activities to safeguard the health of the child entrusted to its care and to afford him the kind of environment in which his character can best thrive. To meet the needs of the whole child it developed many years ago a program which today may be called community

Newest of the residences on the campus, Stevens Hall is "home" for intermediate-age boys and girls.



centered. Health care, instruction in habits of personal cleanliness and grooming, religious training without proselytizing, informal and formal sports, festivities and plays are some of the approaches made to the round-theclock care of children. Community organizations for children are well represented on the campus of the school. The school's Boy Scout Troop is over 30 years old and during these many years has benefited from the leadership of O. Clyde Stevens. Paralleling scouting for the older boys are programs for younger boys and girls of appropriate age as well. The Junior Red Cross has been represented in the extracurricular activities of the school. At present there are three school chapters of a communitywide, character-building club. Through membership in the Michigan High School Athletic Association school teams have played against numerous high schools within a fifty-mile radius of the school.

For the children in their out-of-class time there are playgrounds adjacent to their residences, craft shops, study and living rooms, recreation rooms, a canteen, and kitchen facilities. A club room is put to almost nightly use, and a photographic darkroom is equipped with enlargers, developing tanks, and other tools of the art.

Underlying the educational, health, personal care, and recreation programs are the basic principles of guidance. To implement these principles the school carries on systematic evaluations of speech and hearing, abilities and achievement, personality and health. In conferences and consultations cumulative records and case studies form the basis for plans to meet the needs of individual pupils. These records also form, in part, the basis for curriculum revisions.

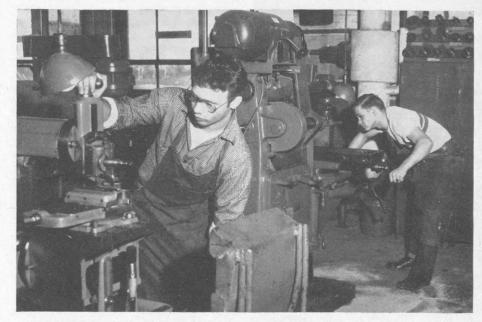
The School as a Community Agency

No school for the deaf can remain an isolated schoolhouse carrying on only an education program for deaf children although fully recognizing the importance of that function. The needs of children and youth with hearing losses transcend school walls. In several major ways the Michigan School for the Deaf has risen to meet these needs.

For over fifty years the school has offered prospective teachers of the deaf courses in the education of the deaf. Young men and women have come to the Michigan School not only from nearby communities but from cities in other

The Michigan School joined several of her sister schools in 1952 when a driver education course was added to the senior curriculum. Instruction in machine shop has been a part of vocational education since the end of World War I. For the girls there is a series of well planned courses in foods, child care, art, textiles, and clothing, culminating in vocational experiences in several areas.









With four children to a bedroom, Stevens Hall can accommodate 164 children. These children have playrooms, study, and living rooms in the same unit:

states as well. Today these courses are integrated into the curriculum of Michigan State Normal College, and, upon completion of these courses and additional work at the college, graduates receive a teacher's certificate and a bachelor's degree.

The school was one of the first state schools to organize an institute for parents of preschool children with impaired hearing and for the children themselves. The fourteenth annual session of this institute was held during the latter part of March of this year. Over 200 parents and their children attended from 1940 to 1952. Among the nationally known speakers who have taken part in this program are Helmer R. Myklebust, Richard Silverman, Mrs. Spencer Tracy, Albert C. Furstenberg, Tanya Nash, and others.

For hard-of-hearing children who do not require special class placement, the school offers two adjustment services: a hearing aid clinic and a short-term class in which the pupil is trained in the care of his hearing aid and other habilitative steps taken after which he returns to his home-town school.

In looking out from the school into the community in which it is located, into other cities and towns in the state, and even into other states, the school can take pride in the accomplishments of its graduates. Its pupils have matured into adults secure in their ability to take their places at the side of their hearing brothers or sisters. They work side by side with thousands of other workers. Their taxes go to the support of neighborhood service and the welfare of their country. Their contributions support community agencies and the church of their choice. In their marriages America finds an ideal of its democracy realized.

Michigan School for the Deaf graduates have these accomplishments to set the pace and highlight the paths in their lives. And in a singular way they have a unique accomplishment to live up to. It was through the youthful enthusiasm, initiative, and ability of a group of Michigan School graduates at the turn of the present century that the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf had its birth. Even before the graduation of Jesse Waterman, Harry Brown, Red Wheeler, Willie Boy Miniker and others, they had formed a fraternal lodge on the M.S.D. campus. As they were nearing manhood and had come to discern the discrimination against the adult deaf which was imposed on them by insurance companies, fraternal orders, and other agencies, this group of M. S. D.'ers continued their lodge into the day after graduation. First formal steps were taken at the June, 1901, Alumni Reunion to endorse a proposal for a national fraternal society of the deaf. By August of that year the group received a charter from the State of Illinois. With Hellers as president, Mc-Cuiag and Poul as vice presidents, and Waterman as treasurer, the Fraternal Society of the Deaf pioneered one of the greatest business and social enterprises ever undertaken for or by the deaf. In 1905 the association was reorganized and henceforth known as the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf.

At the threshold of the second century of service to the deaf and the hard-of-hearing children in Michigan, the words of a niece of the governor who signed the founding act and a former pupil and teacher at the school can be repeated with pride:

"I am proud to think it was an uncle of mine, then governor, who signed the first appropriation for this school, not as a charity, but believing the state would be repaid in the good citizenship of those it benefited and that belief has been justified for, in all these years, few, if any, have gone from its doors who have not done it honor."

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Alabama School Has Year's Favorite Teacher

Miss Martha Davis, a teacher in the Alabama School for the Deaf, at Talladega, was chosen as the favorite teacher for the year 1954 by the Birmingham Post-Herald, a newspaper which annually selects the favorite teacher of the state. This is the first time a teacher at the school for the deaf has received the honor.

Miss Davis, who has taught at the Alabama School for thirty years, was given the honor on the recommendation of countless former pupils and graduates of the school scattered all over the state, and she almost lost it by failing to submit a data sheet required of all who were to be considered. Only at the last minute, on the urging of her coworkers and pupils, did she fill in the blank which made her entry official, and even then, she had no idea that she was even being considered.

Miss Davis was entertained at the convention of the Alabama Education Association in Birmingham, when she received numerous gifts, including a hotel suite and a chauffeured automobile, and a shower of gifts from Birmingham merchants. The Chamber of Commerce of Talladega at the time of this writing had completed plans for a "Martha Davis Day" on May 16, when Miss Davis would receive the honors of her home community.

A graduate of Talladega High School, Miss Davis received her teaching certificate at Alabama State College, and took her training to teach the deaf at the Clarke School and the Western Pennsylvania School.

In connection with her being chosen Favorite Teacher, Miss Davis was paid high tribute by all her superior officers at the school. "We are fortunate to have teachers like her," said Superintendent J. A. Bryan. Miss Catherine Riser, principal, said, "The deaf children have loved Miss Davis as a friend and teacher; their parents have found her understanding; her co-workers have always found her loyal and sincere."

## The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

Well, pals, we meet again. We knew for a fact that would happen. We have been preparing ourself for the ordeal by trying hard to be able to put our best foot forward, to come into your presence with rejoicing plus a snappy



W. T. GRIFFING

line that will elevate your IQ a couple of notches. But, on this night when the big bass are wondering why this old school teacher does not come out to match wits with them, possibly we can be ex-

cused should the curtain fall with a maddening crash just when you are beginning to feel educated.

It will be just a matter of weeks until most of the schools will send the children home for the summer session. We are reasonably sure that all of them have done a splendid job and that the children are going home better in every way than when school opened in the fall. We have some excellent schools, manned by excellent staffs assembled by level-headed executives, so it stands to reason that an honest effort has been made to make the school term one of both pleasure and profit to the little ones.

The graduates are going to be able to look out for themselves, make no mistake about that. Some will travel faster and farther than others, still in the long run most of them will find the way home.

The teachers — bless 'em! — may have to go to summer school to find out what's new, to plug tired heads for leaks, and to wonder whether those tried and true pants will hold together until the next pay check is forthcoming in the fall.

An old joke, but a trite one, is this: A newly arrived guest of Saint Peter was being shown about the place. They came to a large room with the sign "Lawvers" over the door. It was packed. In like manner other rooms were inspected which bore such signs as "Doctors." "Machinists." "Ministers," "Scientists" and each one was crowded. At the one with "Teachers" the curious one was surprised to find it completely empty. He asked why no teachers were up there, whereupon St. Peter said, "Oh, they are here, all right, only just now they are down in the other place attending summer school."

A friend suggested that spelling bees should come back again even though

the little red schoolhouse is no more. Long ago the Blue-Black speller offered these words to tie your tongue into knots:

braggadocio internuncio contumelious ichneumon accouterment ichthyology myrmidon armigerous succedaneous peripateticism

Now you know why we never got to the head of the class, why the dunce cap sat on our head a great deal of the time. Do not lie awake too long wondering what the sam hill has happened to your spelling — it hasn't!

Say, weren't those lovely girls smiling out at you from the cover of the WORKER for March? They should bring on a rush of applications for positions at the California school, from the young gay blades, of course. Now, not for an instant do we think those lovelies had anything to do with LeRoy Noble's decision to leave Iowa for CSD. We can imagine, though, that he is a firm disciple of Horace Greeley, who advised young men to go West.

We are happy to know that our friend in Missouri, Truman L. Ingle, has found out how affectionately he is regarded by all at MSD. We bet his jaw sagged when he stepped into that room to be greeted by half of the state, to be congratulated and gifted on the completion of twenty years of outstanding service. He rates a 21-gun salute.

Flowers for the living are wonderful things. Too many of us wait until too late to say "Thank you, friend" for help that has brightened the way. We hope very much that the example set by the Missourians will spread like a prairie fire because we know a lot of good guys who could use a little bit of appreciation from us all. In case you are reading this, we say, "Thanks."

It wasn't Supt. Stanley Roth who was sending out those trial balloons in the Kansas Star regarding a service pin for teachers. He wrote to tell us that while he had read and fully approved of the editorial, it was really Principal Lloyd Parks, another good guy, who had written it. We have apologized to both. We are happy we have still another one on our team.

Speaking of pins for teachers, may we quote from the Oklahoma Teacher?: "The only tangible thing I profess to own to show I am a member of the OEA is a membership card stuck back some-

where in my billfold. I personally would like to see OEA sponsor a contest to see who could design a suitable and attractive symbol or design for a lapel pin or key for our members to wear to show we are members of the OEA. Doctors, lawyers, engineers, ministers, all have symbols for their profession. All except teachers! I would like to wear one and all to whom I have talked would, also," — Don Odom, of Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Amen, Don.

It has been suggested that teachers have their degrees, certificates and other professional data framed and hung in their schoolrooms. You see a doctor's diploma and/or license framed and hanging on the wall, don't you? Surely this should bring on a lively discussion pro and con.

The superintendent and principals will be meeting in Santa Fe, New Mexico in a few days. (April 20). Big things should come out of that gathering of the ablest minds and the stoutest hearts in the profession. They are often the most misunderstood and underappreciated persons in the world. Most of the time they are sitting on powder kegs all because some extreme theorist stirs up dissent. We are very sure that Marshall Hester will roll away the kegs, powder kegs, we mean!

The AAAD basketball meet at Kansas City was a wonderful event. It brought together approximately 2,500 deaf persons from every section of the country. They came by car, train, plane, and they had greenbacks neatly stored in billfolds. Publicity was excellent. And, isn't it marvelous to think that so many could get away from work to either play or gawk at this tournament? It speaks more than just well for the deaf as workers and providers. Any way you look at it, you must admit that these people the products of our schools, are truly representative of the American way of life and that through their grit and initiative all of us are benefited. Just thinking about them and their accomplishments makes us proud that we are one of them.

This will be all. You may now rescue your IQ from the basement, take the escalator to the top floor, where you will feel more at home. We have enjoyed this little talk with you even though we bet the bass are biting their fingernails fit to kill all because we sit here calmly chatting while they would dearly love to break water to thumb their noses at us! Who invented that naughty sign? "Not I," said the Little Red Hen!

Bye! -WTG.

# Churches IN THE DEAF WORLD

Wesley Lauritsen, Editor

#### Prayer Breakfast

One morning early in February a group of 600 gathered in the assembly room of Washington's Mayflower Hotel for the annual prayer breakfast of the International Council for Christian Leadership. The President of the United



WESLEY LAURITSEN

States was there. So were the Vice President, the Chief Justice, Cabinet Members, Congressmen, diplomats, and businessmen.

After a hearty breakfast Republican Senator Frank Carlson, of Kansas,

called the group to order. Said Baptist Carlson: We are here to renew our faith and our commitment to God. In the next half hour a dozen notables rose to their feet. Wisconsin Senator Alexander Wiley, a Lutheran, read from the First Psalm. Vice President Nixon, a Quaker, read from John 15.

Then Hotelman Conrad Hilton, their host, a Roman Catholic, told them: "It took a war and the frightening evil of Communism to show the world that this whole business of prayer is not a sissy, a counterfeit thing . . . . Rather it is a part of man's personality, without which he limps.

The last speaker was Chief Justice Earl Warren, who was raised a Methodist, now frequently attends Baptist services with his wife. "I believe no one can read the history of our country," he said, "without realizing that the Good Book and the spirit of the Saviour have from the beginning been our guiding geniuses . . . Whether we look to the first Charter of Virginia . . . or to the Charter of New England . . . or to the Charter of Massachusetts Bay . . . or to the Fundamental Orders of Connecticut . . . the same objective is present: a Christian land governed by Christian principles . . .

"I believe the entire Bill of Rights came into being because of the knowledge our forefathers had of the Bible and their belief in it: freedom of belief, of expression, of assembly, of petition, the dignity of the individual, the sanctity of the home, equal justice under law, and the reservation of powers to the people . . .

"I like to believe we are living today in the spirit of the Christian religion. I like also to believe that as long as we do so, no great harm can come to our country."

Would it not be a good idea for the deaf to have a similar gathering from time to time? Once a year is not often. During the summer we have reunions, conventions, and other gatherings of the deaf. Everything is arranged for a good time. Everyone likes a good time. Of course, this includes Christians and ministers. God likes a little humor, too, as Billy Sunday said. But there is a time for everything.

Here is a challenge for reunion and convention program committees: Include a Prayer Breakfast! We are sure that ministers of the various faiths will be glad to cooperate and collaborate.

#### Services at Holy Cross Church

The regular monthly services for the deaf at Holy Cross Church, 333 West 42nd St., Manhattan, were conducted on May 4 by the Rev. Walter J. Darcy, Archdiocesan Moderator.

In the school hall Father Darcy announced that the Rev. David Walsh, C.Ss.R., Moderator of the deaf of Detroit, Mich., would preach the Annual Mission in Holy Cross Church the week of May 31 - June 6. Father Walsh was formerly Moderator of the deaf of New Orleans.

The next big event by the deaf in New York will be the Fifth Annual Convention of the International Catholic Deaf Association at the Hotel Statler the week of July 18-24. The guest of honor will be the Very Rev. Canon W. J. Hayward of England whose field of work embraces the Catholic deaf of England and Scotland.

#### Bible Students Learn Signs

According to Rev. Bartlett Peterson, president of Central Bible Institute, approximately five hundred students have studied the sign language at C.B.I., which is located in Springfield, Missouri.

Central Bible Institute is the Assemblies of God theological school, where young men and women receive Bible training for ministry and Christian service.

The instructor of the sign language at C.B.I. is Miss Lottie Riekehof, who received her training from Dr. Elizabeth Peet of Gallaudet College. After completing her course at Gallaudet, Miss Riekehof began teaching the manual alphabet and the sign language at C.B.I. in the fall semester of 1948, and since that time her dactylology classes have been ever increasing. This year she has enrolled 75 students. Her classes are divided into two sections — sign language I, for the beginners, and sign language II for advanced scholars.

When these students become prepared and efficient in the sign language, some of them begin work among the deaf as ministers, religious workers, and Sunday school teachers. Besides ministerial duties, many students become interpreters for church services as well as for weddings, funerals, law cases, social gatherings, etc. Some of Miss Riekehof's students have accepted positions as home supervisors in the state schools for the deaf, and have become instructors in other colleges where courses in sign language are desired.

Because Central Bible Institute admits students from all parts of the world, foreign students who learn the sign language will return to their own countries, and the deaf all over the world will be beneficiaries of services rendered by these who are interested in them.

— ALBERT BRATTON

Miss Riekehof teaching signs to Helen Mittleider from Idaho and Morris Hamasaki from Hawaii.



#### Church of Christ for Deaf

By Mrs. Ben F. Holland

The Church of Christ for the Deaf is located on the corner of West Elizabeth and Newton Streets in South Austin, Texas, adjacent to the campus of the Texas School for the Deaf.

The church was established in February, 1953, by a small group of Christians. The building is valued at \$20,000,00. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 250. There is a baptistry with dressing rooms on either side. There are five classrooms for Bible classes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Holland have worked in the field of teaching the Gospel to the deaf for some twenty years. Until the establishment of the present meeting place, their work had been conducted in conjunction with congregations for the hearing.

As the work with the deaf grew through the years, the Hollands and parents, friends, and relatives of the deaf decided the work would prosper and accomplish more with a congregation for the deaf in proximity of the Texas School for the Deaf.

The program of the church at present is as follows:

Sunday: Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Teacher Tr. Class	4:00 p.m.
Adult Leader Tr. Class -	4:30 p.m.
Sign Lang. Tr. Class	
Worship Thursday,	7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

The purposes of this congregation are several:

- To bring up both hearing and deaf in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.
- 2. To train more interpreters.
- To teach the sign language to members who hear, who are parents, relatives, or friends to the deaf members.
- 4. To develop teachers, preachers, leaders, and workers among the deaf.
- 5. To foster better understanding and more fellowship among the deaf and hearing members.
- 6. To help parents of deaf children with their special problems, and to help the deaf with their problems.
- To prepare Bible Literature specially suited to the needs of the deaf of all ages.

In the little more than a year, the members of this congregation have accomplished and are accomplishing the purposes and aims set up by the group originally. They continue to feel that the establishment of a work for and by the deaf is the ideal way to spread the plan of Salvation to them.



Church of Christ for Deaf.

## Sermon of the Month

By Rev. A. E. Ferber

#### LET'S GIVE THEM A STRONG ANCHOR (Religion)

(Editor's Note: While this was originally prepared for the Kansas School for the Deaf, it presents a topic of national interest and we are pleased to give it space here.)

To many of us who have associations with our young people at the State School for the Deaf, there comes the frequent thought: "How much responsibility will these young friends assume after they are away from school? Will they take an active part in the religious program in their community after graduation?"

At school our young people receive the best provisions for the growth of strong, healthy bodies. The boys and girls receive the BEST in education. However, the school officials and the chaplains are also interested in being of assistance to parents in guiding our friends to learn much of the love of God.

We often bring to the attention of our scholar-friends that "The fear (respect) of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." Psalm 111, verse 10. The climax of our goal in religious teachings is for our scholars to learn that Jesus is *their* Saviour. We strive to help them feel the SECURITY of heaven in the promise: "This is life eternal that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." St. John 17:3.

The School Yearbook outlines an effective Sunday School program as well as the chapel meetings. Regarding our motives it might be said that we together are merely striving to carry out the instructions of Almighty God. We feel the obligations embodied in the words: "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he (or she) is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22, verse

6. We are also motivated and encouraged to teach the Bible to our young people, because the Saviour has said: "Feed my lambs." St. John 21, vs. 15, and we also receive the command: "Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4.

A third question may suggest itself in the words: "WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS of Bible-teachings, IS IT WORTH WHILE?" May we assure all our readers that Bible knowledge results in the greatest blessings for this life, and for the hereafter. We learn thereby the road that leads to heaven, (II Timothy 3:15), and we become equipped for Godly living. It is agreed in many circles that religious knowledge is one of the world's greatest needs of the day. Laws, laws, and making more laws is not changing conditions. PEOPLE CAN BE CHANGED ONLY FROM WITHIN. Therefore, we try to lead our friends to become Volunteer members of God's army by conviction. Only if people feel the need of a Saviour will they follow Him. This helps us to SEE the real purpose of life. It helps us to value highly the life of our neighhor and fellow citizens. It helps us to live peacefully with our fellowmen and in cooperation with society.

We try to impress upon our scholars the individual qualities and abilities they have to contribute to the moral welfare of our state and nation; we endeavor to show them the ability they have to LEAD others by an exemplary faith-life. Life is not "a bed of roses." When our young people feel that God is walking at their side they become conditioned against temptation, loneliness, trouble and disappointment. Religion thus becomes a strong anchor of life.



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DEADLINE FOR NEWS IS THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH.

#### OHIO . . .

One Saturday evening, Gladys and Bob Barrowcliff of Cincinnati were expecting a few friends in to pass the evening playing cards, so when the door light flashed they were totally surprised to see an apparently endless stream of friends file into the house when the door was opened. Their friends had not forgotten that March 20 marked the twentyfifth anniversary of their marriage and wanted to help them celebrate the occasion.

The surprise was capably managed by Mes-dames Christine Morlock, Mildred Bush and George Barrowcliff. Some 44 friends attended the party, with many others sending regrets due to previous engagements. Very tasty refreshments had been prepared by the hostesses and the center of attraction was a beautiful cake specially baked and decorated for the occasion. Following a short speech of good wishes from Mrs. Morlock, Mrs. Barrowcliff told how she had met and married her husband so many years before. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a very substantial purse to Bob and Gladys by their friends, which was destined to purchase a long desired improvement for the house, according to Gladys.

The guests present were too numerous to mention and list here, but all wished the Barrowcliffs 25 more years of happy married life and all hoped to be around to help them celebrate the 50th anniversary. Gladys is a graduate of the Kentucky school while Bob attended the Ohio school.

Twenty-five years is a long span of married life, but Mr. and Mrs. Albert Watters added 15 to that number and celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary on Sunday, March 28, with an Open House at their home in Kennedy Heights, a suburb of Cincinnati. Many friends dropped in during the afternoon and

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evening to offer their best wishes. Very delicious refreshments were served to guests. Mr. Watters, a former pastor of the Cameron Church for the Deaf and a baker for many years with the Streitmann Baking Co., is now retired and watching the world go by.

Emery Green, a printer on the Cincinnati Post for the past few years, and president of the Board of Trustees of the Cameron Church, has been under the weather for the past few weeks and had been confined to a hospital in Huntington, W. Va., where his family resides, for treatment. He has received several blood transfusions and the latest word is that he is improving steadily. He should soon be back at his stand at the Post.

Sunday, March 21, the local members of the Ohio Deaf Motorists Association, held their annual dinner at the Hotel Sheraton-Gibson. A large private dining room was obtained for the occasion and, ably managed by Miss Helen Healey, a very enjoyable evening, with a fine

dinner, rewarded the 38 present.

Gus Straus acted as master of ceremonies for the evening and had arranged a short program to follow the dinner. A report on the annual meeting of regional directors held in Columbus the past October, was given by Clarence Bender, senior regional director for Cincinnati. Short speeches were given by LeRoy Duning, president of the O.D.M.A., Ray Grayson, executive secretary, and Larry Vogel-pohl, president of the local auto club. The main speech was given by Corp. Bennett of the Ohio State Highway Patrol, with Samuel Freeman interpreting.

As is pretty generally known by this time, Cincinnati will be the host for the 75th Diamond Jubilee Convention in July, 1955. Not so well advertised is the fact that the Cincinnati Division No. 10, N.F.S.D. will celebrate its fiftieth—or golden—anniversary in 1956. Plans are being made by the division members for a celebration fitting the occasion and with this in mind, a fund is being accumulated to

meet necessary expenses.

Bob Hulley, one of the younger and more energetic members of the division, as his contribution to the fund, staged a supper at the quarters of the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club, where the local division holds its monthly meetings, on the evening of April 3, preceding the regular meeting. For the very modest sum of \$1 Bob managed to serve a filling and satisfying meal consisting of chicken or beef pot pie, a salad, home cooked rolls, cake or pie, with the usual drinks. It would take a manand a bachelor at that-to hit upon the clever and labor-saving device of serving frozen potpies as the main course. Bob smiled bashfully at his many girl friends, so had plenty of willing helpers to assist him in getting the supper ready and serving it. For fear that I may omit one, I am not going to mention their names, but Bob will have seen that they were all properly thanked for their help.

The AAAD Basketball Tournament in Kansas City April 1, 2 and 3 drew a great many people from Nebraska, most of them of Omaha and some from Lincoln and some from elsewhere in the state, and they were the sorriest bunch of BB fans you ever saw, when Omaha failed in two games and finished last in the tournament. However, they took some com-

fort in the fact that Delbert Meyer of the Omaha team was placed on the All-Star team and was presented with a new Helbros wrist watch, which was the only thing that Omaha could show for their presence in the tourney. It is not our intention to go into detail on the tournament, game by game, since it is being fully reported in this number of the SW, so we will just confine ourselves to the doings of the Nebraska people at the KC meet.

Those from Omaha at the tournament were as follows: (OCD BB team) Garrett Nelson, Harold Poch, Melvin Horton, James Spatz, Norbert Knobbe, Ervin Holub, Don Jeck, Arvid Trickey, Delbert Meyer, and Marvin Tuttle of Des Moines, Coach Art Nelson, and George Propp, manager and OCD delegate to the AAAD; the Albert Johnsons, Thomas Petersons, Oscar Treukes, Scott Cuscadens, Harry Eckstroms, Russell Daughertys, Ben Delehoys, Don Boones; Mrs. Eleanor Propp, Mrs. Norma Nelson, Mrs. Dorothy Trickey, Mrs. Eileen Poch, Mrs. Marvin Tuttle; Messrs. Karel Delbert Cooper, Steve Grudzinski, Frank Milana, Don Moline, Lee Myers, Robert Hiltabidel, Louis Palermo; and Misses Mary Haynes, Marilyn Anthony, Ileen Hahle, Gladys Hanika, and Ruth Bonnet. There were quite a few from Council Bluffs, including the Nathan Lahns, the Eugene McConnells, the John Hixsons, the John Swaims, Mrs. Lillian Francis, and Francis Jacobson. There must be a few more people who did go but whose names we cannot recall at this moment.

The people from Lincoln were the Herbert Duermeyers, Berton Leavitts, and James Weigand; and the rest from over the state were the Paul Barneses of Bridgeport, the Virgil Coles of Grand Island, the Jack Caffertys of Hastings, the Gerald Badmans of DeWitt, and

Joe Renner of Crete.

It seems that the ones most deeply affected by the loss of Omaha in the tourney were Mrs. Dolly Peterson and Mr. Frank Milana, and there was nothing that could alleviate their bitter disappointment. Dolly prayed time and time again that Omaha would win, only to be told upon arrival that Omaha had lost. She had a notion to turn around and go back Poor Frank was so disgusted that he lost all interest in the tournament and sold the rest of his ticket to somebody else and went to bed that Saturday night at 8 o'clock, just when the party was starting.

There was a regular meeting of the Omaha Club of the Deaf Sunday night, April 11, with a big attendance on hand, well over the required quorum of 36 members, and many reports were made and approved, among them the MAAD BB Tournament, the OCD Athletics Committee, the various monthly enter-tainments, and the reports of both the OCD delegate to the MAAD (Art Nelson) and the OCD delegate to the AAAD (George Propp).

The Propps made quite a big sensation at the meeting when they announced that they were preparing for a stage show in August or September, providing that they had the approval of the OCD. It came as a complete surprise to the members, who, of course, lost no time in giving it their entire approval. It is no time in giving it their entire approval. apparent that it is the doing of Eleanor Propp, who, we assume, will do the directing and who will be the "brains" of the whole thing. She is well-known for her dramatic talent, having had some experience in drama at Gallaudet College, so naturally the Omaha people are eagerly anticipating a big thing and patiently awaiting the time when August or September finally comes.

A new OCD Athletics Committee to serve a year until April of next year was chosen at the meeting, and those selected were George Propp, Dale Paden, James Spatz, Don Dey and Don Boone, with the number of votes received in this order. They will have their first meeting sometime soon to pick a coach and a manager for the OCD BB team during the

next season. They have an extra sport added to their business; it is bowling, which was voted by the OCD to go under the Athletics Committee. Altogether they make up a pretty

good committee, so we think, and now we say to them, "Best of Luck!"

The members of the OCD were treated to beer and cold meat sandwiches at the Falstaff Brewery Friday night, April 9th, after they had made a tour of inspection of the plant with a guide explaining the many things that go to make the most wonderful Falstaff beer, so he said, and with Bob Mullin, son of our own Robert Mullin, doing the interpreting. The biggest impression made upon them was that the whole place was spotlessly clean from top to bottom without even a speck of dust anywhere. There were about 85 people present, and 60 were expected. Mr. James Jelinek had arranged the tour and treat for them with the brewery, and it is to him that we give our

heartiest thanks for an evening well spent.

Tom and Dolly Peterson were overjoyed when Joe Flood, Dolly's younger son, came home from San Diego, Calif., on furlough in April and stayed home with them about two weeks. He is in the Navy and has been overseas to Japan and Korea, and has just one more year to serve until his enlistment is over. The very first thing he did upon reaching Omaha was to buy a new car, Ford Victoria, and drive around and around; he was so

happy with it.

The school building at the NSD is being enlarged by an addition which is in the process of development; there are some pieces of heavy earth-moving machinery and there are carpenters swarming over the place. The school people are excited about it, and they have been watching every step of the job as it goes along. It is supposed to be finished before next September in time for the reopening of school.

#### OKLAHOMA . . .

The Guy Falkes are back in Oklahoma after a spell in sunny California. Charles Howard has also returned from a sojourn in Arizona amid the cacti. Charles says he will return to the desert again next year.

The Sulphur Club of the Deaf came home

with the consolation trophy they won at the recent SWAAD Tournament at Dallas in March. Sulphur lost to Little Rock in the opening bracket but defeated Tulsa and San Antonio for the consolation cup.

Floyd Ashcraft of Shawnee underwent minor surgery March 15th and is now hale and

hearty once again, which pleases his friends.

At the Tulsa Club's meeting on April 10, friends presented Billie Parman with a surprise in the form of a wedding gift which turned out to be a pressure cooker. Billie and her fiance, Jim Sharpton, have set their wedding date for the Fourth of July, so it will be a double celebration hereabouts. Following a honeymoon, destination unknown, the young couple will make their home in Baltimore, Md., where Jim holds down an excellent position as a printer.

That is a nifty new car Ben Neathery of Sulphur is driving around town these days. Ben and his '54 Chevrolet sport coupe are all

set for the summer fishing!

Bernice Shedeck enjoyed the Kansas City Nationals the week-end of April 2-3 and ran into many local people; Byron Westlake and Richard Fair of Akron, both former Oklahomans; Billie Parman of Pauls Valley; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gray and Otto Davis of Tulsa; Lena Anderson and Eldon Davis of Sulphur; Clambric Hukill and Nation Paris of Tulsa; Clemmie Hukill and Nadine Davis of Tulsa; and former Oklahoma residents Ola Haynes Vincent and Robert Cody of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Clyde Nutt of Fordyce, Ark. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stapp of Tulsa were also amongst the Oklahoma crowd attending the tournament. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coder of Oklahoma

# ken's korner

By Marcus L. Kenner

"Oh world, so weary and so filled with pain, Look upward, catch the dawn and live again.

They say that New York City is hard-hearted, indifferent, and the good Lord knows what else. But, friends, believe it not. Let's take a look, for instance, at the non-sectarian "Community Center for the Deaf," 171 West 85th Street, N.Y. This is a fully-equipped 4-story structure, sponsored by the Jewish Society for the deaf, one of the 116 affliated agencies of the great Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. It houses several organizations of the deaf, such as the H.A.D., Sisterhood, Merry-Go-Rounders (oral), Happy-Go-Luckies, Camera Club, Teen-Agers, and General Member Group. comprising over 1000 persons. Presided over by Mrs. Tanya Nash (NAD Life Member) and an able staff, it is devoting all its energies towards providing satisfactory group activities. More than that, it conducts a well-rounded vocational, counseling, job placement, and social service program, including camping for deaf children, and assistance to the aged and deaf-blind. And it has excellent cooperative relations with the Rehabilitation Division and State Labor Bureau. Open daily, visitors are cordially welcomed.

This leads me to wonder anent conditions elsewhere: In place of various mushroom clubs of varying degree, of so-called "service" none, would it not be a far more economical and efficient arrangement to have *one* non-sectarian "Community Center for the Deaf"? It cannot be that there are no thinking persons, sufficiently imbued with a spirit of service to help organize similar "Centers." I speak from long experience in this field, as one of those instrumental in establishing ours in N. Y. City. Do give this some thought, ye "rolling stones"!

The lilting cadence of a little 96 pp. booklet, "Tryst," by Miss Alice Jane McVan of the Hispanic Society of America, N.Y. has fascinated me. Miss McVan, Gallaudet '28 is one of the favored few possessed of a facile pen and a fine creative spirit. Rightly, she avers, "Perception is nothing. Creation is all." I am tempted to quote further. But,

well, if you like poetry, better obtain the booklet and, for the modest price of \$1.50, quaff deep in its

poetic pool.

That Miss McVan is not entirely addicted to poetic flights of fancy is indicated by her down-to-earth query (attached to a news clip sent me) whether something could be done "to let light in on what seems to be a dark corner in our courts." A deaf man (absolutely no gent) was arrested, charged with stabbing a lady. (Fortunately, she is recovering). The Judge, unable to get anywhere with the defendant, committed him to a hospital to determine whether he can face trial or be placed in an institution. The newspaper in question, asks pointedly, "How should the State handle a felonious assault charge against an illiterate deaf mute when it finds it apparently impossible to communicate the charge to the defendant?" We know the answer. Evidently, the State does not, or is it just simple negligence? It is clearly up to us to demand that capable sign-language interpreters be assigned in all cases where the need is perfectly obvious. (P.S.-This has been and is again being communicated to the Court.)

The following recently appeared in a N.Y. daily: "The Duke of Edinburgh and Queen Elizabeth were visiting a Home for Deaf Mutes in Australia on a sweltering day and the line of hands to be shaken seemed interminable. The Duke, ever attentive, noticed his Queen beginning to wilt and whispered something in her ear. To Phillip's astonishment and the crimson embarrassment of Elizabeth, there was a shout of laughter from the audience. The Duke had forgotten they were all expert lip-readers. What he said was, Come on, my little cabbage. Buck up and look more alert.'

This is a cute little yarn, all right, possibly circulated by one with acute hearing. But, oh come, come, — is it not stretching the imagination a bit too far. asking us to credit even an "expert" with lip-reading what the Duke whispered (most likely under a cupped hand) into the

Queenly ear?

City welcomed a baby son during March. We did not learn the name but the parents are blissfully happy and so are their friends.

Bernice Shedeck is happily employed at the Fred Jones Manufacturing Company in Oklahoma City. There, she joins another deaf girl, Katherine Matheson, who has been with the company the past three years.

The Oklahoma City First Baptist Church for the Deaf held a week-long Revival meeting April 4-9th. The Reverend Funt of Dallas served as pastor and a goodly crowd attended the services.

The Oklahoma City Silent Club entertained March 27th with an "Oklahoma Ass'n of the Deaf" night and the attendance was very good; so was the fund raised from the evening's main event, a Box Supper. Doran Cleaver won first prize for the most beautiful box and Vollie Hay and Mrs. Robert Seal won second and third.

#### CALIFORNIA . . .

Mrs. Betsy Howson of Berkeley, and Mrs. Grace Lohmeyer of San Francisco left Saturday, March 27 on the Lurline for a trip to Hawaii. Quite a number of friends were at the dock to see them off. Mrs. Howson's two daughters threw a Bon Voyage party in their stateroom on shipboard just before sailing time.

Mr. Fred Baars, 85, left after a visit to the Bay Area, to return to his home at Paradise,

Illinois.

B. B. Burnes, NAD prexy, made a flying trip to the New Mexico School for the Deaf at Santa Fe, where he spoke at the meeting of the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf. Was glad to meet old friends at the school and to make the acquaintance of many new ones, including Mrs. May Valdes (Gallaudet '07), Thomas Dillon (principal), Marvin Wolach, Bob Clingenpeel, George Lynch.

Paul de Martini, 73, of Brentwood, died the last week in March. He was a graduate of the California school at Berkeley, as was his wife, Mrs. Gertrude (Kaiser) de Martini. The de Martinis owned extensive orchard acreage and were the popular country squire and his lady among the Walnut Creek and Diablo area

George Lynch of Santa Fe, N. M., paid a flying visit to Berkeley in April. He was the guest of the Lester Naftalys, who rounded up a small group for a pleasant evening.

Joseph Brietwieser, art teacher at the Riverside school, and Miss Patricia Kitchen, teacher at the school there, spent the Easter week-end in the Bay area.

Mrs. Barbara Sanderson Babbini of Castro Valley flew to Salt Lake City after stopping in Los Angeles and Las Vegas on her way to visit her brother, Bob, and his new baby. Mr. Babbini is one of the chief mechanics for Western Airlines at the Oakland Airport, hence the roundabout trip depending on availability of an extra seat. Give 'em your business — fly Western.

Beverly Byouk, daughter of the Louis Byouks of Albany, received a cash award from the American Legion for a first prize essay on the Bill of Rights, at Albany High School. She won out over a large group of competitors. We are all very proud of her.

John and Betty Galvan were tendered a surprise house-warming party by their many friends on Sunday, April 25, at their new home at 1663 Merced Street, Richmond. They were presented with a cash gift. Coffee and delicious cakes made by the hostesses were served. Hostesses were Mrs. Jean Sellner, Mrs. Hilda Buenzle, Mrs. Jennie Naftaly, Mrs. Mary McArtor, Mrs. Virginia Byouk and Mrs. Catherine Ramger.

E. LeRoy Noble, principal of the Iowa School for the Deaf, has been appointed Supervising Teacher of the Advanced Department at the California School at Berkeley, and will come to California to take over his new position in September, according to announcement released by Superintendent E. A. Stevenger.

Many of the Bay Area deaf took part in the exhibition of the etchings of Cadwallader Washburn at the M. H. De Young Memorial Museum in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco. The exhibition was one of the largest yet assembled of the work of the eminent deaf artist, and took up all of two gallery rooms. It was loaned by Dr. Ludwig Emge, professor emeritus at Stanford University, a collector and admirer of Washburn's work. One of the bullfight etchings was reproduced in the Sunday magazine section of the San Francisco Examiner.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon S. Birck of the Berkeley School were honored recently at a party tendered by the staff of counsellors, commemorating their 25 years of service at the school.

Miss Sophie Budech of Oakland left April 4 on a tourist tour of Europe. She will visit relatives in Yugoslavia especially. She is the envy of us all but we hope she has a very enjoyable trip.

Mrs. Dala George, 66, of Long Beach, Calif., passed away April 17th, ending a three-year illness which kept her confined to her home. Dala suffered considerable pain during the last months of her life and death was not unexpected. Funeral services were held at Motell's Chapel in Long Beach at 5 p.m. April 22nd with the Reverend Jonas of Los Angeles conducting and friends gathered to pay their final respects to Mrs. George, whose passing leaves a vast and empty void in the deaf world of Long Beach. A charter member of the LBCD formed just five years ago, Dala gave cheerfully of her time and energy toward the welfare of the little club and many were the projects she undertook for the organization. Survivors include a daughter, three sisters, and one grandchild. Mrs. George was a native of Arkansas and came to make her home in Long Beach in 1914.

New cars are much in evidence these days. Herb and Loel Schreiber drive a two-tone Plymouth, a '54 model. That is, Herb drives it when Loel lets him. He has a '47 Plymouth "work car" but no one blames him for driving the new car every chance he gets. Herman Skedsmo, rapidly recovering from the terrible smash-up of last December which almost cost him his life, drove over to see us the other day in a brand new '54 Nash. Bright yellow with white sidewalls and mighty snazzy!

From Tucson, Arizona, comes the news that Frank and Beverly Sladek and baby Donna will be coming home within a few weeks. They'll spend the summer with Frank Sladek, Sr., at the family home in Long Beach and Frank will help his dad with the albacore fishing while Beverly stays at home and minds the baby.

Joe Max and Cora Park have purchased the large five-room house in which they have lived for the past four years on 22nd Street in San Pedro. No need to move! Joe was presented with a cash gift of \$40 at the Long Beach Club the other night upon his retirement as president of the organization.

The Long Beach Club has moved to smaller, but much more attractive, quarters at 19 West Plymouth Street in North Long Beach, just off No. L. B. Blvd. Officers for the coming year are: Ellen Grimes, president; Ivan Nunn, vice-president; Carolyn Nunn, secretary; Virgil Grimes, treasurer; Bob Broomfield, financial secretary; and the Board of Trustees are made up of Cora Park, Geraldine Fail and Ross Bailey. The club recently purchased a brand new '54 model Zenith TV with money they reaped from the February FAAD tournament and the new hall has been decorated in such a novel manner as to set it apart from any other such organization. Fish nets filled with abalone shells, star fish, and conch shells adorn the walls together with white life preservers, and one wall is given over to framed photographs of club members and officers. A visit to the place would prove most enjoyable, we assure you.

John Curtin trekked down to Mexico, his favorite vacation spot, during the first part of April. He came home reporting a restful sojourn with friends south of the border.

Tom and Becky Elliott stopped over for a

Tom and Becky Elliott stopped over for a night with Jack and Grace Craven in Tucson on their way home from the Kansas City Nationals and friends gathered at the Craven home to see the popular couple. Harry Jacobs, who copped the "best Coach" trophy at the Nationals, was also a guest in Tucson, staying with Angel and Darlene Acuna before going on up home to Oakland. The Acunas threw a party for Harry and we hear everyone had a fine time. (Why the heck weren't we invited? News Ed.)

Something new is coming up! The Elliott boys of Los Angeles, George B. and Thomas W., are getting set to publish a little paper which will be known as the "Sport-O-Gram" and subscription rates will be a dollar a year or ten cents a copy. Paper will deal with sports among local clubs with an emphasis upon the coming '55 Nationals which take place in L.A. next April. (I'm still trying to sell those season tickets to the '55 Nationals. Only \$10, or just a dollar down and a dollar a month. Come on, you people, dig! News Ed.)

Edward and Clemmie Hukill of Tulsa, Oklahoma, are westward bound. They'll visit in Texas and then visit Long Beach and Los Angeles during May. Friends here are eagerly awaiting their arrival.

The Norwalk home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Love was the scene of a gala party May 16th when numerous friends of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tallent gathered at a buffet supper to celebrate their 5th wedding anniversary. Busily seeing that everyone had a good time were the hostesses, Mesdames Love, Dyke, Goodwin, Bagby, and Luczak.

True to his intention, our Art Kruger resigned as secretary-treasurer of the AAAD fol-

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Following the trophy presentation ceremonies at the Kansas City Tourney, President Hugh Cusack of the AAAD called a surprised Art to receive a self-winding Le Coultre wrist watch, a gift from the Association, and a sizable gift of money in the form of a check, the amount of which is unknown at present because donations from all the clubs in the various Regional Associations are not in yet. It will be a large sum, however, and a very small reward for our Art, who has given so unselfishly of his time, money, and effort on behalf of the AAAD.

Though Art Kruger has "retired" from the AAAD ranks, his name will ever be held in the highest esteem and whenever, or wherever, the AAAD is mentioned, the name of Art Kruger will be uppermost in our minds. Because he is a resident of Los Angeles, we proudly call Art our own though Akron may differ with us in that respect. To you, Art, and to your lovely wife Eva, we offer sincere appreciation and gratitude for all you have done for the sports world of the deaf of the U. S. Your sports section in The Silent Worker is magnificent and don't you ever DARE retire from THAT.

We've got plenty such chores waiting for us but before we close we simply MUST let all you deep-sea fishing enthusiasts know that the yellowtail are running off Long Beach and schools of barracuda abound out at Catalina waters. Page Iva Smallidge, Julian and Lucille Gardner, Reuben and Eulah Pois, Virgil and Iola Luczak, Herb Schreiber, and all other local anglers! Oh, we mustn't forget Harry Jacobs of Berkeley. Come on down, Harry, and bring BBB with you!

#### VIRGINIA . .

A surprise bridal shower was given for Meda Scott, bride-elect of Frank Hutchinson, at the school for the deaf at Staunton on April 4th. Party was given by the Misses Arvilla Peterson, Judy Barnett, and Jean Folsom together with Mrs. Fred Yates. Many nice and useful gifts were given to Meda together with wishes for her happiness.

Mrs. Jeff Lawson, Jr. was pleased at having her parents, her brother, and her two sisters, all of Hillsville, up for a weekend with her and Jeff and the children not long ago.

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. . . The Devil

When in 1725, Benjamin Franklin joined the composing staff of a London print shop, he refused to treat his fellow-craftsmen to drinks as was the custom; so they sicked "Ralph" on him. "Ralph" was the anonymous shop ghost who mixed up sorts, transposed and broke up matter, and perpetrated other acts of malice upon unpopular workers. Needless to say, Franklin soon paid up.

A little pamphlet recently published by the Bureau of Apprenticeship, U. S. Department of Labor, should be of more than normal interest to us type and ink slingers. It contains two very good illustrations of printing presses and pressmen on its cover, showing the relationship of the journeyman and the apprentice in colonial times and now. It is titled "Apprenticeship, Past and Present". The booklet reviews the development of apprenticeship training in this country and contains an interesting account of the trials and tribulations of Apprentice Printer Benjamin Franklin. It can be obtained by writing to the above named Bureau, U. S. Dept. of Labor, Washington 25, D.C.

They say that ninety-two years ago Eskimos on Greenland wrote, illustrated, and published "Atmagagli-uti," which means "The Literary Pastime." It's a good thing that they did not have type-setting machines in those days else there would have been a lot of "pastime" spent in straightening out their innards after setting a name like that.

They say that in the spring a young man's fancy turns . . . etc. We wonder if it is the same with young ladies. If so, here is the May installment of the National Amalgamated Directory, girls. We do not guarantee that the boys whose names appear here are not already in bondage but it won't hurt to find out.

Ernest W. Maitre, Ludlow Operator at the Unique Press, Detroit, Mich. Ernie attended the Ontario (Canada) School for the Deaf, where he learned the trade.

Wilmer Mills, Linotype Operator, Winston-Salem Sentinel, Winston-Salem, N. C. Brother Mills attended the North Carolina School, where he learned the trade.

Harry W. Stark, pressman, Western Tag and Label Co., Los Angeles, California. Harry's shop recently installed one of those British Thompson platen presses. Harry says that it is a good press but that the German Heidelberg has the edge on it.

Milton Earl Miller, Floorman-Pressman, River Press Publishing Co., Fort Benton, Montana. Milt went to the School for the Deaf at Great Falls, Montana. He also learned the trade in school.

C. Elbert Carr, in charge of Linotype Department, Dallas (Texas) Times-Herald. Tennessee School. Mr. Carr learned his trade in school. (Hey, does that "C" stand for Chuck?)

Louis J. Fant, Sr., floorman, Dallas (Texas) Times-Herald, Cedar Spring, South Carolina, School. Learned trade in school.

To preserve the famed quality of their presswork, the printers of 18th century Holland limited their pressmen to eight or nine hours of work each day. The English, on the other hand, thought nothing of keeping their pressmen going 17 or 18 hours a day!

A very efficient way to remove cuts from mounting base, which are adhered with two-way Scotch tape, is to lay the cut face down on a scorcher for a few seconds. After the heat has been applied, the cut will drop off.

As late as 1900, the cylinder press of a print shop at Gimbloux, Belgium, was operated by a huge wooden wheel, set up outside the shop, turned by a large dog walking a treadmill inside the wheel's circumference!

According to an order issued by the Stationers' Company of London in 1587, compositors were accorded some rights in standing forms; and printers were obliged to make some payment to the journeymen for the privilege of rerunning jobs from such standing forms.

More and more interest is being expressed in our remarkable beard and a plan has been suggested to us that seems to have some merit. We have been urged to set up a booth at the NAD Convention in Cincinnati next summer in order to exhibit our handsome adornment. It has been tentatively suggested that we charge 25c for looking at it and 50c for feeling it. The ladies, of course, would be allowed one extra stroke for the 50c price.

#### SWinging . . .

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Staunton friends of the Alden Ravns of Jacksonville, Illinois, are grieved to learn of Mrs. Ravn's death. Mrs. Ravn passed away April 4th after a long illness. Our most sin-cere sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Creasy of Buena Vista spent Easter with Mrs. C's parents near Law-renceville, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Lew-ellyn journeyed to Chatham, Va. and through North Carolina during their Easter holiday.

Another traveller was Alfred Weinrib of Staunton, who made the long trip up to New York City not long ago to visit relatives living there.

Mrs. Ralph Kiser was honoree at a stork Mrs. Raiph Kiser was nonnee at a stork shower April 15th given by Arvilla Peterson, Mrs. Fred Yates, and Mrs. Thomas Sebrell. A number of the guests presented Mrs. Kiser with a baby crib in addition to the other pink and white and blue necessities.

As this is written, Ernest Winborne, Jr. of Staunton is a patient at the University of Virginia Hospital at Charlottesville. Ernest is to undergo two operations.

Mrs. Isadore Hurowitz of Staunton had her baggage all packed and her bus ticket in hand for an Easter visit to her home in the country when her youngest daughter, Betty Jane, came down with a mild case of chickenpox. All plans had to be cancelled and at this writing Betty Jane is well again.

VIRGINIANS: Please send news of your activities to Mrs. Jeff Lawson, Jr., P. O. Box 251, Staunton, Virginia.

#### MINNESOTA . .

Not long ago, while checking an empty rail-way post office car, Dan Kirievsky of White Bear Lake, discovered a registered package addressed to a North Dakota bank. He immediately turned it over to an assistant foreman in the Great Northern general office mail room, who then notified the post office authorities. The package turned out to contain several thousand dollars. The following week there was a picture in the St. Paul daily paper, showing Dan and his foreman being presented with \$50 and \$25 respectively by a post office inspector. They also received letters of commendation. See how honesty pays off in a big

Way!
Frank Millan recently traded in a 1953
Buick sedan for a new 1954 Mercury sedan, so he could travel west for his vacation. Frank is now pounding the keyboards at the St. Paul Pioneer Press and Dispatch plant.

Sometime ago George Hanson, athletic coach at the Minnesota school, narrowly escaped death when his Kaiser car went out of control and overturned several times near New Prague, Minn. Miraculously, he came out unscathed except for a scratch on his elbow. After extensive repairs the car is back on its four wheels.

LoDema Hillman of Minneapolis accompanied Beverly Lauby to Faribault April 10 where Bev took up driving tests. She passed them with flying colors, thus qualifying as a full-fledged driver. Happy driving, Bev!

#### KANSAS

Mr. and Mrs. Beene Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Maisch, Robert Jantz and George Ruby, all of Wichita, attended the church services conducted by Rev. John Bell of Tulsa at Blackwell, Okla., on March 27th. Free airplane rides and refreshments were given to all who attended the services

Mrs. George Harms and Mrs. Clarence Johnson hostessed a stork shower for Mrs. Burr Mills at the W.C.D. Hall the afternoon of March 13. The guest of honor received many useful baby things.

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## Charles Vadnais, Minnesota School Graduate is Successful Business and Family Man

By Wesley Lauritsen

(Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vadnais, of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, are shown on the cover with their five children. The children, seated are, from the left, Julaine, 15, Stephen, 3, Timothy, 2, Michael, 12, and Patricia, 7, standing.—

Metropolitan newspapers often play up any slight deed of the deaf and as it is rare that any outstanding deaf person gets recognition in the press, it was a pleasant surprise to find a large picture of the Charles A. Vadnais family on the first page of a recent issue of the St. Paul Dispatch together with a wellwritten story about this typical, if not outstanding, family.

The article started off by saying that the word handicapped was just another word in the dictionary to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vadnais, of White Bear Lake,

though both are deaf.

Mrs. Vadnais has been deaf since birth and Mr. Vadnais lost his hearing at the age of four. Both entered the Minnesota School for the Deaf in 1920 and they graduated in 1932. They took a liking to each other when they were nine years old and their romance blossomed as the years went by. They were married in 1936.

Mr. Vadnais has had steady employment at the White Bear Oil Company where he does everything from waiting on customers to taking care of the books. His ready smile gets him through and he has a host of friends. One surprising incident occurred after the article had been published in the papers. A man who had been Mr. Vadnais customer for a long time never had suspected that he was deaf.

Vadnais says that his attractive brunet wife is a very good cook. She takes care of all of the responsibilities of the average mothers and does the family shopping. Everything in the modern Vadnais home is as you would find it in any typical American home, except that the doorbell does not ring. Instead, a light goes on when the doorbell button is touched.

In commenting on the Dispatch story, Mr. and Mrs. Vadnais say that the article was written at the suggestion of their family doctor, who had a staff writer interview them. The headlines they received surprised them. It pleased them inasmuch as it would show many readers the value of the training given at the Minnesota School for the Deaf. They wrote, "We shall always owe a great debt to our school for getting us where we are today."

During their school days both Mr. and Mrs. Vadnais took a prominent part in all school activities. Mr. Vadnais was an all-around athlete and played on the great school team that defeated the St. Paul Central High School team in 1927. Mrs. Vadnais was quite a dancer and once won a Charleston contest while in Faribault.

Mr. Vadnais is a member of the Knights of Columbus and both are life members of the Minnesota Association of the Deaf. Mr. Vadnais is currently first vice president of the Association, which, incidentally, is waging a strenuous campaign to rid the state of deaf peddler-beggars, most of whom work out of Chicago.

Fifteen-year-old Julaine Vadnais, a White Bear High School Sophomore, says that the family is just like any other. Sometimes she wonders whether her mother and dad do not "hear" better than other parents. She says that if she happens to come home after they have gone to bed they are awake even before she has the door open.

The conversation at the Vadnais dinner table is as lively as at any family table. The parents have learned to read the lips to some extent and the children have learned to understand the parents when they speak even though the speech is not what is generally referred to as normal. All members of the family use the sign language and manual alphabet. The children and parents like people, enjoy being with people. They are taking their part in community life. They are an example of products of our American schools for the deaf, and real proof of the fact that the investments the American taxpayer have in our schools are good investments.

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#### SWinging . . .

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At the regular meeting of the W.C.D. on March 13, a nice profit was realized from the cake auction. Winners of the prettiest cakes, which were decorated on the theme of St. Patrick's Day, were Mrs. Francis Srack, Mrs. Dean Vanatta and Mrs. Richard Jennings. All received cash prizes.

The kitchen of the Adolph Geier home at Wichita was gutted by a small fire recently, caused by hot grease in a pan which was put under the water in the sink.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Dibble of Wichita, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Thompson of Winfield, visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Nanney at Newton while Mr. Nanney was recuperating from an operation.

Mrs. Downing, mother of Mrs. Stanley Ferguson of Olathe, passed away on February 25th and was buried at Liberal, Kansas. Mrs. Downing spent several months in an Olathe hospital with an incurable ailment.

Oscar Field, father of Misses Rae and Willa Field, both of Wichita, passed away March 10th in Manhattan, Kans., his home. His five daughters were with him to the end.

John Hanrahan of Topeka died on April 3rd, survived by Mrs. Hanrahan (nee Anna Kelly), two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Ayers and Miss Shirley Hanrahan, both of Olathe.

Mrs. Margaret McIlvain of Merriam, Kans., recently sustained a broken arm above the elbow. She was on her way to the hospital to visit a Mr. Bailey when she fell down some steps.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wimp of Wichita became grandparents when their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Buscher, adopted a baby girl who was born on February 13th. They have named her Mary Jo and they had a Christening service for her shortly after. A group of friends had a baby shower for Mrs. Buscher at a hotel which Mrs. Wimp and Mrs. Dean Vanatta attended.

Oscar Twete, of Abercromie, N. D., was in Wichita two weeks, visiting his niece. He visited the WCD Hall on March 27. Mr. Twete had left his home late in the fall and went through the southern states and Old Mexico. At Phoenix, he visited his sister and is now making his last stop before returning home to his farm.

Mrs. Clara Fooshee of Wichita, at the age of 84, finally became a great grandmother when a boy was born to her only grand-daughter, Barbara, and her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crabb and family have moved to Wichita from Pratt and he is now with the Wichita Eagle.

#### WISCONSIN . . .

John Crezan of Milwaukee became very ill suddenly while at work on Monday, April 12th and was sent to St. Luke's Hospital.

Miss Jean Hauser, who is employed at the Briggs-Stratton Company in Milwaukee, attended the 10th Annual AAAD tourney in Kansas City, Kans., on April 1-4. There she met Argo Lardinelli of San Francisco, California, and now they are engaged to be married shortly at Miss Hauser's home in Hartford, Wis., near Milwaukee. Argo moved to Milwaukee in order to be near his fiancee and now works at the Ruby Chevrolet Company as a mechanic. Miss Hauser is a cousin to Gerald Hauser, well known priest among the deaf of Milwaukee. Fr. Hauser was honorary chairman of the 9th Annual AAAD tournament in Milwaukee in March, 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad A. Wang of Milwaukee are the proud parents of a son born January 25, 1954, being their first child.

Mrs. Samuel Becker of Milwaukee went to Texas, Arizona, and California for a visit with relatives, and will be gone a month.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Milwaukee Silent Club held their annual election on April 10th and the new officers are: Miss Elaine Kressin, president; Mrs. Alice Coffin, vice-president; Miss Clara Bongey, secretary; Miss Jenny Bongey, treasurer. The two-year term trustee is Mrs. Peggy Ludlow Hanke and the three-year term trustee is Miss Betty Estling. The annual election for men will be held April 23rd.

Harry Jacobs (of Milwaukee) was the lucky winner of a wrist watch at the St. Patrick party held March 27th at the Milwaukee Silent Club.

About 1200 deaf and hearing visitors at the Marquette University gymnasium in Milwaukee witnessed a very hot and close basketball game between the St. John's School for the Deaf of St. Francis, Wis., and the St. John's School for the hearing of South Milwaukee, on the afternoon of April 4th. The deaf team won, 50-48.

Mrs. Edward Hanson of Cedarburg, Wis., traveled to Arkansas City, Kans., to attend the wedding of her granddaughter on April 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schreiter of Neenah, Wis., were recent visitors at the Milwaukee Silent Club.

Mrs. Lawrence N. Yolles returned to Milwaukee after spending the winter at Miami Beach, Fla., and a week later she motored to Kansas City to attend the AAAD tourney. Albert C. H. Stender flew to Kansas City; Harry Jacobs, the Reuters, the Harry Kristals and Mrs. Gabreil Levin traveled by train and the Philip Zolas and Anthony Panellas went by car.

#### NEW YORK . . .

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Let proud Minneapolis high-hat St. Paul;
I wouldn't care which is which or what's what;
I'm here in New York and I'm having a ball.

—AVERY GILES.

Hal Steinman, who submitted the above music, is our new news correspondent from New York and a most welcome addition to our staff. New Yorkers can help him by sending their news items and pictures of their events. His address is 1236 Burke Avenue, Bronx 69, New York.

The Gallaudet College Alumni Association of New York staged a Literary Night not long ago with stories, skits, and songs. Story tellers were William Bowdren, Margaret Borgstrand, James Quinn, Marcus Kenner, Emerson Romero, Ben Finken, David Rabinowitz, and Charles McBride. A love song was rendered by Sally Auerbach and Joe Hines, Jr., and was so well presented that the audience seemed



Harold Steinman as Escamillo, Violet Armstrong as Carmen and George Armstrong as Don Jose in opera given by New York Gallaudet Alumni.

to be quite affected emotionally. The evening ended with an "opera" in which Violet Armstrong took the title role as "Carmen," supported by George Armstrong as "Don Jose" and Harold Steinman as "Escamillo." Much credit goes to Philip Honover for staging the show and to the capable master of ceremonies, David Berch. Well over 300 persons were present at the show, many of them out-oftowners, and enjoyed themselves so much that the people taking part in the play have been invited to give a repeat performance in Philadelphia. Those of you who missed out at the recent presentation will have a chance to see it in the "City of Brotherly Love" come October 16th.

Hyman Rousso, David Zarda, and Peter Sparacio are three of a kind...all have itchy feet. They recently motored down to Florida and then took a plane over to Havana, Cuba. Their tales are enough to make many. a New Yorker wish to see beyond the banks of the Hudson.

Betsy Blumenthal drove down with her two sisters from Baltimore the other week to bid her mother bon voyage on a trip to Europe aboard the Queen Elizabeth. Betsy was the overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Steinman, returning the next day with her sisters to Baltimore.

What Army has engaged in every war in which the U.S. has been involved and yet has never fired a shot? (Harold gave us the answer but if you cannot guess it . . . let's hear from you. News Ed.)

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Mark Perry, popular young man about town and considered one of the most eligible bachelors, was finally roped, hog-tied, and led down the last long mile toward domesticity not long ago by none other than Edith Lande. Mark and Edith flew to Bermuda for a two-weeks

honeymoon and friends here are wishing them a "honey" of a married life.

Travel broadens one's outlook on life . . . especially trips to foreign countries, contend the Truglios. So, Peter and Mary took a month off and journeyed down to Mexico whence reports are trickling back concerning the wonders of the land beyond the Rio Grande.

Joseph Worzel has travelled the U.S. extensively, but always via railroad. Recently Joe decided to take to the air and enjoyed plane travel so much that he vows he will never again take a train. We'll bet he will be travelling by jet anon.

Tragedy struck hard at the Bramson household recently when their son, August, passed away at the age of 41. Our heartfelt sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bramson upon their grievous loss.

Joan and Irving Goldstein are wondering whether it will be a boy or a girl. They are expecting their very first child soon and everyone is happy for them. Joan is the daughter of the famous lawyer, Morris Ernst.

Nellie Myers has been enjoying a lot of surprises lately. The latest was a baby shower given by Mrs. Lucy Lewis in Nellie's honor and quite a few friends were present to compliment Nellie and shower her with gifts.

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#### Wright-McFarlane Wedding

Miss Elizabeth Harper McFarlane became the bride of Charles Nichols Wright in a beautiful ceremony held in the First Presbyterian Church, Talladega, Alabama, February 27.

Mrs. Wright is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McFarlane, who have been connected with the Alabama School for the Deat for many years. Her father, now retired, is well known as one of the nation's outstanding educators and editors. A graduate of Talladega High School, the bride attended Alabama College for Women and Jacksonville (Florida) State Teachers College.

Mr. Wright, of Sylacauga, Alabama, also is a graduate of Jacksonville State College and is now doing graduate study at Auburn.

After the wedding reception, held in the church parlors, the bride and groom left for a trip to Tenenssee and returned to Auburn.

#### Dr. Peet Honored on Birthday

Dr. Elizabeth Peet, Dean of Women and Professor of Romance Languages, Emerita, at Gallaudet College, was honored by the Board of Directors and the faculty of the College with a banquet on her eightieth birthday, March 26. Dr. Peet retired in 1950 after having been a member of the faculty for fifty years.

Considered one of the world's authorities on the sign language, Dr. Peet has been spending much of her time since her retirement writing a book on the subject. She also has continued her activities in a number of women's clubs of which she has been a member for many years.

The banquet, held in Chapel Hall at Gallaudet, was under the co-chairmanship of Dr. Irving S. Fusfeld, vice president, and Lloyd H. Johnson, business manager. \* CHECKMATE!



By "Loco" Ladner



Here are the latest results and standings in the Tournaments:

First Tournament: Bob Kannapell finally triumphed in the five-game series and cut Ladner's lead to 2-1. The final two games are rapidly approaching the end and the outcome is very much in doubt.

Second Tournament: Stevenson measured Font in a great game; Leitson defeated Stevenson but lost to Font and Ladner. The standings are, in order of rank: Ladner, 2-1; Kannapell, 1-1; Leitson, 2½-2½; Stevenson, 3-3; Font, 3½-3½; Dunn, 1-2. The half-way point has been reached and Kannapell seems to have the favorite's position.

Third Tournament: Rosenkjar is leading in the A Division with two wins, both over Campi. Chauvenet has a victory over Shipley. In the B Division Burnes has finished and has 3-1. Lacey has 0-2 as he dropped both games to Burnes. Ramger has 1-1 and is still playing Lacey.

The National Association of the Deaf may sponsor a chess tournament at its Diamond Jubilee Convention in 1955 at Cincinnati. We are hoping that chess players will get behind this move and send in their requests for such a tournament. This would not be the first time, for the NAD once sponsored a tournament at one of its conventions in New York City. The winner was the late Michael Cohen.

For the record we are publishing the second game of the Kannapell-Ladner series:

Queen's Pawn Opening

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White: L	adner	Black: K	Kannapell	
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	21. R-Q1	P-KN3	
2. P-K3	P-QB4	22. RxB(e)	PxN	
3. P-QB3	N-KB3	23. RxN	PxP	
4. B-Q3	N-B3	24. PxP	KR-Q1(f)	
5. N-Q2	P-K4	25. RxR ch	RxR	
6. PxKP	NxP	26. K-N2	R-Q8	
7. B-B2	B-Q3	27. P-N3	P-B3	
8. P-KR3	0-0	28. P-B4	K-N2	
9. N-K2	Q-B2	29. K-N3	R-B8(g)	
10. O-O	B-Q3	30. B-N2	R-B6 ch	
11. P-KB4	N-N3	31. K-N2	RxKP	
12. N-B3	KR-K1	32. R-KB1	K-B2	
13. N-N3		33. B-B1	R-K7 ch	
14. N-R5(a)		34. R-B2	R-K8	
15. P-KN4(b)		35. B-B4	R-Q8(h)	
	N-B1(c)	36. R-Q2	RxR ch	
17. N-K5!(d)		37. BxR	K-K2	
18. NxB	NxN	38. B-B4	P-QR3	
19. BxN	PxB	39. K-B2	K-Q2	
20. QxQ	BxQ	40. K-K3	Resigns(i)	

Notes by the Chess Editor: (a) A daring move to invite complications;

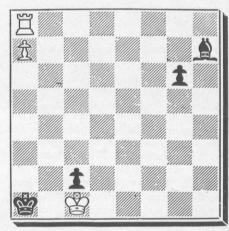
(b) Launching a surprise attack while Black is not ready; (c) N-R5 would lose a piece due to 17. BxN, followed by 18. N-K5; (d) But White has this alternative up his sleeve: (e) Not 22. PxP, due to Black's rejoinder R-K3; (f) Black's chances seem better with both Rooks; (g) Necessary to prevent 30. K-B4; (h) If 35 . . . P-K6; 36. R-QB2, P-K7; 37. B-N3! (i) Black was playing for a draw but the next move removed all hope.

#### The Chess Problem

The solution to the problem in the May issue is: N-Q5. Please note that 1. N-B1 fails because Black has the defense 1 . . . N-K7. Play over this remarkable problem and enjoy the varieties of Black defenses and the White checkmates. For example: If 1 . . .KxN (Q5); 2. Q-N7 mates. Or if 1 . . . KxN (B5); 2. Q-Q3 mates.

The problem for this month specifies that White moves and mates in three moves. However, we assure you that it is not difficult and you will get enjoyment from the clever motif:

BLACK



WHITE

(White to move and mate in three moves)

#### No Pitch, Just a Smart Move

President Eisenhower launched the 1954 major league baseball season by tossing out the first ball. Governor Goodwin Knight of California stepped to the plate and batted out a few at the Pacific Coast League inaugural.

Nevada Governor Charles Russell — frustrated because the State has no professional baseball team — moved the first chessman in the State's annual chess tourney.

# MILWAUKEE CAGERS COP NATIONAL CROWN

Upsets Feature Cage Meet . . . Art Kruger Retires as AAAD Official

By Alexander Fleischman

(Editor's Note: It is with much regret that we call it quits with this tournament and turn the AAAD secretary-treasurer's reins over to a younger man, Alexander Fleischman, of Washington, D.C. Although we believe we could serve another few years, we feel that now is the time to step aside — with the AAAD in the soundest shape it has been since its inception at Akron, Ohio, in 1945.

The AAAD, which now includes 101 clubs, has grown into a body which annually produces several outstanding athletes. Today there's a "good" surplus in the treasury and greater cooperation between the various member clubs than ever before. So we figure, and rightly so, that now's the time to go. Naturally we hate to step aside, but we

really need a rest after ten years of service.

That gift presented to us at the end of the tournament was a sudden surprise. We wish to take this space to thank the member clubs of the AAAD and the deaf of America for it. The watch will be with us a long time, a daily reminder that our work in founding and fostering the AAAD is appreciated.

We will still keep a deep interest in the AAAD, and of course, we will be present We will still keep a deep interest in the AAAD, and of course, we will be present at the tournaments in the years to come. We tell you the AAAD is a fine thing for the deaf of America, along with the NAD and the NFSD. It has filled a long felt need, in that it provides an opportunity for the adult deaf to continue their interest in sports after they have finished school.

We came back from Kansas City content that our AAD rests in the hands of capable men. Al Fleischman has worked very hard for the AAAD and he no doubt

will prove a worthy successor as Secretary-Treasurer.)

MILWAUKEE SILENT CLUB finally took the top tourney title by avenging the 1953 defeat given it by the Little Rock five. Victorious to the tune of 71-64, the new champion made its title campaign a reality after four previous attempts at the 10th annual AAAD Tournament of Champions held at Kansas City's Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall Gym, Saturday, April 3rd.

The Cream City boys played a fine fast breaking game and a very tight zone defense, regardless of their shortcoming in height. Their sparked offenses were in the hands of three little players in Hilary Heck, Chester Janczak and newcomer Jimmy Meagher from the St. Mary's School for the Deaf. Leg injuries confronted towering John L. Jackson and Jodie Passmore of Little Rock but they nevertheless played throughout. Clyde Nutt was bottled up but managed to tally 19 points for the losers and was aided by Jackson's 18 and Fay Nutt's 12. The titleholders' scoring was led by Janczak with 24, Heck 12, Meagher 11 and John Goetz 10. Milwaukee ran off to a 35-23 lead at halftime after a tie of 13-all in the first quarter. The Arkansas made a surprise catch-up in the third, threatening with a three point margin, 55-52, and tied it up early in the fourth at 59all, but this was shortlived when Coach Tony Panella signalled for more speed, fake passing, and use of secret plays which took effect on the scoreboard in the last five minutes.

Big Edward Ketchum, the outstanding sparkplug for the surprising Oakland five, basketed 19 points and played his heart out to earn the third place berth, nosing out host Kansas City, 58-56. The Northwest champion led with a comfortable 35-14 halftime edge.

Of the ten past national classics, this tournament contained the most exciting and closest games ever witnessed—to be exact, eight out of eleven games. Oakland and Kansas City furnished the big upsets in the first round by dumping two of the favorites. Oakland disposed of Omaha, 64-58, in overtime, and Omaha was seeded No. 3. Kansas City eked out a 70-69 thriller over Los Angeles and the farwest club was picked as the No. 4 team.

The Oakland-Omaha tilt was delayed about forty-five minutes because of power failure in the hall and the delay caused the fourth game of the first round schedule between Milwaukee and Washington to be completed after midnight.

Oakland, badly trounced by Los Angeles during the regular season, showed a complete reversal of form in downing Omaha in the overtime game, the second one in the history of the tournaments. At the end of the regular time the score was tied, 51-51. The Californians then staged a 13-point scoring spree in the overtime while the Nebraskans suddenly went cold. Ed Ketchum was not only a bear on the boards but he paced his East Bay boys with 24 points, while Delbert Meyer made 22 for Omaha.

Hero of the Kansas City triumph over Los Angeles was Paul Curtis, who hit a back-hand layup just as the gun sounded to give the unseeded host club the win. Despite the much publicized Boese-Fuller-Bronder scoring machine that ticked well in the Farwest, the fans were puzzled when the Californians trailed throughout. In the fourth Lou Dyer's boys began to rally and the contest was even 65-all one minute before the final gun. Both teams made one field basket each in fast breaks. Fiercely fighting to beat time and get into the lead led to fouls. Los Angeles earned two charity baskets while Kansas City added one. Curtis ended the game with an underhand shot in the tense two remaining seconds, bringing victory for the host club. This basket was questioned, but the officials ruled it good since the ball was released from Curtis' hands before the gun fired. Curtis was also high man of the game with 21 points, while the Big Three of the proud Los Angeles quintet — Delbert Boese, Charles Bronder and George Fuller scored 19, 19 and 14 points, respectively.

In the opener Little Rock, the defending champion and top-seeded team, staved off a last quarter rally to edge New York GTAC, 70-66, after running off to a comfortable 16-point lead. They were tied at 66-all in the last four minute clash. Two unexpected interceptions when the ball was being delivered from out of bounds and baskets won for the Arkansans.

Washington's height taxed Milwaukee, seeded No. 2, in the first half of the fourth game of the first round schedule, 29-26, but the Heck-Janczak-Plocar bombardment pulled the Wisconsinites in front, 69-55.

Milwaukee Silent Club is national champ at Milwaukee Silent Club is national champ at last and deserved to win after all those years of trying. Left to right — kneeling: John Secora, Chester Janczak, James Meagher, David Leonard, Hilary Heck, Arthur Hinek, Standing: Coach Tony Panella (this is his tenth year as Milwaukee mentor and he said this is the best team he ever coached), Donald Reinick, John Goetz, Philip Plocar, Francis Thompson, and Manager Philip Zola.

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Best scoring performance of the first round, however, was chalked up by Clyde Nutt of Little Rock, who canned 32, but that was only two better than Carl Lorello from New York, who racked up 30.

In the consolations next day New York and Omaha played a tight game with the Easterners taking the win, 68-64. Los Angeles trailed behind Washington for two quarters and then put on steam for a 59-53 victory.

Semi-final Games: The 49-point contribution by the Nutt brothers, Ketchum's elimination on fouls after a 30-marker challenge and the fouling out of Oakland's two outstanding playmakers, Theo Ruffa and Angelo Skropeta, paved the way for Little Rock's decisive win over the East Bay club in the last few minutes, 77-63. Milwaukee's speed and impressive plays defeated the fighting Kansas City five, 56-38, after being behind at halftime, 24-20.

Los Angeles emerged winner over the New Yorkers for fifth place honors in a nip and tuck contest, coming from the rear, 70-67.

All-star selections on the first team were Clyde Nutt of Little Rock, Carl Lorello of New York, Ed Ketchum of Oakland, Paul Curtis of Kansas City and Chester Janczak of Milwaukee. Making the second team were Hilary Heck of Milwaukee, Delbert Meyer of Omaha, Mark Wait of Washington, Bob Ellis of Kansas City and Philip Plocar of Milwaukee. All the above were placed according to the total number of votes collected after each game by a 15-man committee, and each received a beautiful wrist watch.

Ed Ketchum was awarded the most valuable player trophy presented by The Silent Worker, while Coy Sigman, 31-year-old, 6-foot-2 center of Kansas City got the nod as the most popular player. The host team earned the sportsmanship token for its fight against great odds and Harry M. Jacobs of Oakland surprisingly was voted the coach award.

Over forty representatives from A. A. A. D. member clubs participated in the annual meeting of the AAAD Board of Directors. All business was transacted in one session of some 3½ hours. Secretary-Treasurer Art Kruger reported 101 clubs in the AAAD fold—a realization of his dreams. The treasury was at a comfortable balance of \$1,628.70. The Board again voted another \$100 donation to the NAD Century Club and set aside \$100 to start the ball rolling for the establishment of the

This is the host team of Kansas City Club of the Deaf that upset Los Angeles, 70-69, in the first round. Left to right: Vincent Weber, Paul Earnheart, Bob Merritt, Sylvester Bock, Bob Ellis, Coy Sigman, Paul Curtis, Alvin O'Conner and Rufus Perkins.



These are the players representing the Little Rock Association of the Deaf who after the final game shook hands with the entire Milwaukee team and said they deserved to win. Left to right: Manager Luther C. Shibley, Franklin Chism, John Farrar, Maxwell Mercer, Orval Lane, John L. Jackson, Fay Nutt, Clyde Nutt, Charles Wilson, Howard Poe, Jodie Passmore, and Coach Lonnie Tubb.



The surprise team of the tourney — East Bay Club of the Deaf of Oakland, Calif. Left to right: Danny Wong, Theo Ruffa, Larry Jones, Fay Heffington, Edward Ketchum, Donald McCune, Angelo Skropeta, George Turner and Coach and Manager Harry M. Jacobs.



International Games for the Deaf Fund.

Host Kansas City initiated a traveling trophy for the championship team and it becomes a permanent possession if one team wins the AAAD crown three times, consecutively or at intervals, beginning with the Kansas City tournament. A coach award was voluntarily donated by the host committee with emphasis that future hosts carry out this plan.

The Board ratified the AAAD Hall of Fame Committee's action in honoring with admittance the following players: Frederick A. Moore, Noah Downs and J. Frederick Meagher; and the following coaches: Frederick J. Neesam, Edward S. Foltz and Paul D. Hubbard.

Art Kruger, father and an official of the AAAD for ten successive years, sang his swan song by stepping out of office. He was presented with a beautiful LeCoultre futurematic wrist watch. Alexander Fleischman of Washington, D.C., was unanimously named to fill his place. Troy E. Hill of Dallas, Tex., was elected to the presidency and Charles E. Whisman of Indianapolis, Ind., was retained as vice-president. Leonard B. Warshawsky took over the chairmanship of the AAAD Hall of Fame Committee with a new committee consisting of Herb Schreiber and Art Kruger of Los Angeles, Calif., Sam B. Rittenberg of Birmingham, Ala., and Edward S. Foltz of Sulphur, Okla. Retiring President Hugh J. Cusak of Philadelphia, Pa., accepted the publicity directorship role and S. Robey Burns of Chicago, Ill., will again head the International Games Committee with an active staff of Al Fleischman as secretary-treas., Charles D. Billings of Denver, Colo., Thomas O. Berg of Gooding, Ida., and Max Friedman of Bronx, N. Y. Chicago was given the hostship of the 1958 nationals.

The AAAD Tournament of Champions was a huge success in every manner and host Kansas City Club of the Deaf and the Committee headed by Hugh I. Stack did a great job. The eight exciting games will go down in history as the best "money's worth tourney."

## Coach of the Tournament

When the tumult and the shouting heralded the grand finale of the Kansas City AAAD tournament, the great minds present and the officials and assorted characters with slide rules, calipers, statistical charts, tape measures, and field glasses betook themselves to an anteroom and figured out their selections for the great figures of the tournament. They argued and discussed and nominated and voted and emerged mutually agreed upon the all-stars, the best sportsmen, the handsomest, the tallest, the fattest, the best manager, the hottest fan, the most beautiful girl, the best referee and the worst, and so on and on. The names of some of these they announced, and of others they left in the secret chambers.

And they named the outstanding coach of the tournament. It was HARRY M. JACOBS, coach of the third-place Oakland, California, team, representing the East Bay Club for the Deaf, the newest of all AAAD coaches, who had been drafted by his team shortly before tournament time because he had been a crack manager and possibly because no other coach was available.

The selection was a surprise to veteran tourney fans, but it was no surprise to Harry's acquaintances and followers of the team back in Oakland, who knew better than anyone else the great job he had performed in pushing his team to third place. It was a feat deserving the highest recognition, and such it was given.

The history of Oakland basketball teams is punctuated with frequent changes in the coaching department. Seldom has a team completed the season with the coach who was in charge at the beginning. This season was no exception. The team, as usual, was in the dumps as time approached for the Northwestern regional meet and it was decided by the members of the team that a new coach was the only remedy. Their choice was Harry M. Jacobs, who



HARRY M. JACOBS

managed the team for years, but had never coached a game. With Harry manipulating the plays, the team swept through the Northwestern tournament at Vancouver, B. C., and it was obvious to all its followers that it had a chance in the Nationals. The reason was that it was finally in charge of a coach who knew how to handle men, and who had the confidence of the players. It may be that Harry doesn't know more about the patterns and intricacies of basketball than some of the veteran AAAD coaches, but he has that knack for handling men which a successful coach must have, and in leading what had been a nondescript aggregation through the regional tournament and to third place at Kansas City, it cannot be denied that he performed one of the outstanding feats in tournament history.

While he was new to the coaching ranks, Harry Jacobs was no newcomer to the national tournament. He has been a prominent figure at the last seven tournaments, which he has attended as delegate from the East Bay Club. He served one term as AAAD vice president and chairman of the law committee,

Pictured on these two pages are honorary officials of the tourney. Below: Frank Swafford, St. Louis; Roy Holcomb, Sioux Falls, S. D.; S., Robey Burns, Chicago; Troy E. Hill, Dallas; Edward S. Foltz, Sulphur, Okla.; Hugh J. Cusack, Phila.; Alex Fleischman, Washington, D.C.





The AAAD tournament in Kansas City was a very good one. It was well-planned, and the hotel and the gym were close to each other, making it very easy and convenient for the people. And the basketball games were almost all close and exciting, and the trophies and other awards were magnificent. To these men comprising the tournament committee go our thanks for a job very well done. Left to right: Harry Kellner, advertising; Albert Stack, trophies; Bill Priem, hotel reservations; Frank Doctor, tickets; Robert Gaunce, secretary, and Hugh Stack, chairman.

and he has always been active in the Farwest division, serving as manager of the Oakland Club the past seven years. When the Farwest Association was split two years ago, with the northern cities forming the Northwest Association, he was elected president, a position he still holds. In 1949 he was general manager of the local committee when the National meet was held in Oakland and his own team, as the host team, played in the Nationals for the first time, finishing last. In 1952 Oakland won the championship of the Northwest and entered the Houston, Texas, tournament, again winding up last. Harry managed the team in both tournaments.

In addition to his sports activities, Harry Jacobs is equally well known as Business Manager of the SILENT Worker, having been a member of the original staff which started the magazine. He is a graduate of the California School for the Deaf at Berkeley, where he and his wife, Marie, make their home. He is a top-priority mark-up man in a printing plant in San Francisco, one of the largest firms on the Coast.

## Tournament Chatter. . .

The Kansas City Club for the Deaf, Inc., held open house at its clubrooms Wednesday night preceding the tournament, and a surfirst team to arrive was the Golden Tornadoes of New York City, while the last team was that of Milwaukee, arriving Friday morning.

At the open house, we saw the Tom Elliotts of Los Angeles in company of the Clarence Morgans of Merriam, Kansas. Tom and Clarence were school chums at the Missouri School long ago. The Pat McPhersons brought Joe Worzel of New York City to the club, while most others came on their own.

Thursday morning scene shifts to the spacious lobby of the Town House hotel in Kansas City, Kansas, and finds Frank Doctor busy selling tournament tickets. Erlene Graybill, Alberta Merritt (also the official interpreter) and Harriett Votaw (formerly of Kansas City, now of Denver) were assisted by a hearing girl from the Chamber of Commerce in typing out identification badges. Troy Hill of Dallas (the new AAAD Prexy) was found substituting for the girls or Frank Doctor so that they could go to lunch or supper.

The Charles Billings, with daughter, Kathy, rode with the William Frasers of Denver. Kathy stole the scene from everyone, and she was quite spoiled by the time they started home. We even had an identification card made for Kathy, who is five years old.

The Los Angeles and Oakland teams came together on a chartered plane from Los Angeles, arriving early Friday morning. The Omaha boys left Friday night, expecting to arrive before midnight, since Omaha isn't too far away, but car trouble developed and it was 4 a.m. Friday before they got to the hotel. The Pelicans Club of the Deaf, Inc., of New

York City, host to the 1957 nationals, were seen selling subscriptions for a week-end special (consisting of a season ticket, a round trip ticket to NYC and a lodging at a hotel). The Chicago Club for the Deaf won the bid for the 1958 tourney; most of the visitors wore large "welcome to Chicago" pins donated by their Chamber of Commerce.

Many inquiries were made as to the Don Warnicks of Denver, who had decided not to come, and were we embarrassed (but glad) and were we empariassed they showed up Saturday morning, having changed their mind on Thursday. were two carloads from Denver besides the Warnicks. Herb Votaw and Russell DeHaven came by train and stayed with Harriett at

the home of her parents in Kansas City, Mo.
In the Memorial Hall gym on Friday afternoon, there was a style show given by Nelly Don Frocks and the door prize, consisting of any dress of your choice was won by, of all people, Bill Allbrecht of Rocky Ford, Colo. The last we heard, Bill was thinking of giving the dress to his sister who lives somewhere in Kansas

Seen here and there were Bob and Roger Skinner of Los Angeles, and people were forever getting confused. Bob was on his two weeks' vacation, having come by auto the week before the tourney. He visited his mother and friends in St. Louis, and stayed with his father in Independence, Mo. Roger was the Far West delegate and came on the chartered plane from Los Angeles.

The Roy Sigmans and sister Lucy came by auto, having picked up Mother Sigman in Arkansas, and were staying with the Coy Sigmans of Kansas City, Mo.

Edward Foltz of Oklahoma, was the master of ceremonies at the reception held Thursday night in the ballroom of the Town House Hotel. John Fuhr of Chicago gave a rendition of "Yankee Doodle" and was given hearty applause.

Hardest working fellas were Hugh Albert Stack, chairmen of the tourney. Alberta Merritt, daughter of the Albert Stacks, was the official interpreter and was kept busy until Saturday when she was able to heave a sigh of relief.

This was probably the most conveniently located of all the AAAD national tournaments to date. The gymnasium in which the games were played was but a short two blocks from the headquarters hotel. It enabled visitors to save in taxi fares, and to stay longer at the post-game celebrations, not having to worry about a long trip back to the hotel and consequent loss of sleep.

At left, Art Kruger, retiring after ten years; Charles E. Whisman, Indianapolis; Joe Worzel, Bronx, N. Y.; Charles Bilger, Olathe, Kansas; Luther Stack, Baton Rouge, La.; Kenneth Lane, Baton Rouge; Leonard Warshawsky, Chicago; Duke Connell, Cleveland, Ohio.



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By Toivo Lindholm

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The AAAD National Basketball Tournament to top all tournaments! The entertainment to top all entertainments for the deaf past and present anywhere in this land of ours! The Southern California hospitality to top all famed hospitalities — "Southern" included.

The Angelenos will be out to welcome you with California-woven broadloom carpets, with California-grown invigorating orange drinks, and Californiabrewed kickapoo joy-juice. The sunny climes and the inhabitants and native sons and daughters all dressed up in picturesque Mexican and Navaho (cq) garbs will greet you with "Buenos Amigos."

Everything in Los Angeles is superlative. (Hey, you Texan, lay off-yours is the hot air, ours the real stuff vou're foolin' nobody!) Yup — everything in LA's superlative - stupendous, colossal. tremendous (Hollywoodite terms maybe, but nevertheless true). Big even among the deaf populace. If you happen not to think so, just turn around and look across town and you won't be disappointed. You can't be disappoined - NOT IN LOS AN-GELES.

The dates are April 6, 7, 8, 9, 1955. Tell everybody you're coming, even if you hafta ride the rods, or thumb your way here. But in order not to be disappointed and left in the fringes of the crowd, send your ten dollars (\$10.00) to J. Max Thompson, Financial Secretary, 5709 Colfax Ave., North Hollywood, Calif., and he will send you your season ticket for the tournament. For the events costing \$17.50 if paid for separately, you can have them all on the season ticket for \$10.00. One dollar now, if you wish, will give you a hold on one ducat, \$2 for a couple.

The personnel of the committee (they're the key to the success of the affair): Thos. W. Elliott, chairman (the maestro of the great Earl Carroll Show and Dinner of the 1947 Frat Convention); Einer Rosenkjar, vice-chairman (he's Grand Vice President of NFSD); Herb Schreiber, executive secretary (pinch-hits for Chairman Elliott and does a lotta leg work for him); Constantino L. Marchione, recording secretary (a coming young man, meticulous, punctual); Frank L. Bush, treasurer (long-tried warhorse, effective, dependable); J. Max Thompson, financial secretary in charge of tickets (dependable, productive, is making ticket sales hum); Florian A. Caligiuri, entertainment (man with the rubber face, A-1 showman on the stage); Fred LaMonto, benefits (erstwhile president of the Los Angeles Club of the Deaf); Leonard Meyer, program booklets (president of the Los Angeles Division No. 27, N. F. S. D.); W. K. Gibson, advertising (surefire advertising genius; Toivo Lindholm, public relations (president, California Association of the Deaf); Lou Dyer, trophies (coach of the host Los Angeles team — experienced in trophies he's been on the receiving end every year, lo! these many year); Odean Rasmussen, transportation (sportsman, avid booster of the LACD team from the earliest days), and Art Kruger, information (the father of the American Athletic Association of the Deaf and an office holder since its founding - recently relinquished his secretary-treasurer position for the easy chair).

These are the men you can depend upon to make this Tournament click —

the Show Extraordinary.

More in next issue! And subsequent issues! Watch for the Texas come-back on my friendly crack, if any! Thank you, Art Kruger for space in your department.

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## These Two Golfers Let Scores Speak for 'Em

By Earl Keller

(Editor's Note: Thanks to Marvin Thompson of Coronado, Calif., for getting us the following newspaper story clipped from San Diego Evening Tribune, dated January 26, 1954.

Since becoming a member of this swanky Mission Valley Country Club last December 1, Mrs. Rountree (formerly Virginia Lucas, ex-'40, Gallaudet college) managed to get her name in the win column at least five times among at least 50 ladies who have been there over 12 years. On Virginia's first entry in December she tied for first place with another woman in Class A Turkey Tourney. With handicap (14) her score was 74.

By the way, have you ever heard of any deaf lady golfer as good as Virginia or better? We believe she now rates

No. I as far as we know.

Virginia was the only lady competing in the California Deaf Golfers Association tournament held at Pasadena, Califlast August and she even bested many of the men golfers, being runner-up to Larry Levy.

As for Larry Rountree, himself, he is to be remembered as the acting coach of the Arkansas school for the deaf basketball team of 1941 that went through its 20-game unbeaten and defeated six schools for the deaf in a row to cop Southwest and National titles for a perfect record of 26 triumphs.)

Mission Valley Country Club's Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rountree are golfers who let their score cards talk for them.

You see, they are deaf.

On the links, though, they ask and give no sympathy. By the end of 1954, Mrs. Rountree will be one of the best feminine strokers in the country, according to Charlie Rizzo, her instructor at Mission Valley.

Rountree has to take a back seat to his wife at the moment, but he's working on his game and hopes in time to be able to outscore her.

"It will be tough, though, because back in 1936 she used to play in the low 80s and now she is trying to regain her old form," Rountree jotted down on a piece of paper.

Mrs. Rountree has had to overcome much bad luck to be the fine mashie wielder she is today. When she was 2 years old, scarlet fever left her deaf.

In recent years Mrs. Rountree also

Say it with body English — Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rountree, who play Mission Valley Country Club, Coronado, Calif., trying to coax Mrs. Rountree's putt into the cup. She rates No. I deaf lady golfer in the country. Right?

Photo courtesy San Diego Evening Tribune.

was stricken by polio and only now is she regaining her strength.

When Rountree was nine months old, he drank some coal oil which paralyzed his ear drums, bringing on deafness and damaging his vocal chords.

Rountree became interested in golf in Arkansas when he was eight, taking a caddy job, but he didn't start playing until many years later. The Rountrees lived and played golf in Little Rock, Ark., and Phoenix, Ariz., before coming here to San Diego some 11 years ago.

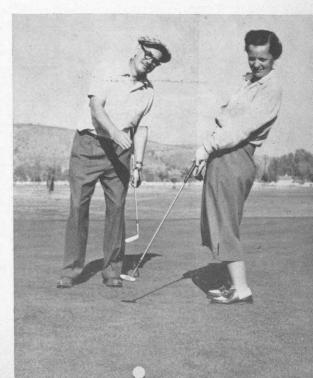
"Larry has been a successful businessman for many years and never has let his handicap trouble him or hold him back," said his mother, Mrs. Mary Dollarhide. At present the Rountrees operate a cleaning establishment in Coronado, Calif.

Mrs. Rountree no doubt could outstroke many of the men golfers in these parts. She belts drives of at least 200 yards and sometimes as far as 225 yards and is a fine iron player. She competes in the weekly sweepstakes for Mission Valley femmes and as soon as he sharpens his game a little more, Rountree intends to enter tournament competition. He shoots anywhere for 90 to 95 now after returning to the fairways in February, 1953, after a layoff.

His wife's best score since she

His wife's best score since she started a comeback is an 85 at Agua Caliente, good over that long, tough layout. Red Bost, pro below the border, was her instructor down there before they joined MVCC.

The Rountrees have a 9-year-old daughter who promises to be an outstanding athlete. Roberta plays tennis, golf, swims and is accurate on the archery range. Recently she shared a doubles title in a tournament the Tennis Patrons' Association put on.



# National Association of the Deaf

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#### Report From the Home Office

LIFE MEMBERS: 3227 OUTSTANDING IN PLEDGES: \$15,228.97

Quicker than the eye, the hand of the N.A.D. collected \$158.05 (in cash and pledges) from the recent 50th Anniversary Frat Banquet held in Little Rock, Arkansas on March 20. Following the banquet and the magician's act, "Canny" Kanny (G. G. Kannapell, N. A. D.'s Rally wonder-boy) flipped his fingers in behalf of the N.A.D. and skillfully conjured up signatures on Life Membership Pledge Cards.

Thanks are extended to the Little Rock Frat. Div. No. 5 for inviting the N.A.D. to its affair.

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Minnesota to Have Gigantic MAD - NAD Rally

All roads will lead to Charles Thomson Memorial Hall, Marshall and Fairview Avenues, St. Paul, Minn., on Saturday, September 18. It is the day of the gigantic MAD-NAD Rally and Bazaar. With doors opening at 9:00 a.m., the deaf of the state will trek to the Hall to exhibit their handiwork and have a rollicking good time.

The deaf of the state are asked to donate anything they have made, grown, or produced. Anything they have purchased and wish to donate will also be acceptable.

There will be a fish pond with fish of the right size for both old and young.

All profits from the sale of donated articles will be divided equally between the Minensota Association of the Deaf and the National Association of the Deaf, two organizations that work tirelessly for the welfare of all the deaf.

The Hall Cafe will be open from 11:00 a.m. until midnight.

A program will be presented in the auditorium of the Hall at 8:00 p.m.

If you cannot come, give your donation to a member of the committee or send it direct to the Rally Committee, Charles Thompson Hall.

Members of the committee in charge include Mrs. Mary Lydon and Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, Arrowhead District; Mrs. Marjorie Pederson, Red River Valley District; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Potter and Arthur Peterson, Southern Minnesota District: Miss Evelyn King, Faribault; Mrs. Alveda Colburn, Mrs. DeLoris Kune, and Mrs. Flossie Wilczek, St. Paul; Mrs. Kay Barnes, Mrs. Anna Sagel, Mrs. Kathryn Finlayson, and John Lauth, Minneapolis.

— Gordon L. and Myrtle N. Allen Co. Chairmen

#### Minnesota Has Peddlers on Run

At the convention of the Minnesota Association of the Deaf, held in Faribault last summer a resolution was adopted demanding that the Association take steps to put an end to the activities of deaf peddlers throughout the state. Acting on the resolution, President Wesley Lauritsen has prepared literature describing and condemning the begging-peddling racket which he has distributed in all parts of the state.

He wrote letters to the editors of all newspapers in the state, asking them to publicize his appeal to the public to stop giving money to beggar-peddlers who are deaf or claim to be deaf, and his letter was published in practically all the papers, over 450 of them, including the big Minneapolis papers with a circulation of 600,000.

President Lauritsen wrote similar letters to the chiefs of police in all the cities, asking the cooperation of the police in running beggars out of the state.

As a result of his publicity efforts, Minnesota is practically free of the peddling racket. He has employed the methods long recommended by the NAD in his appeal to people to refrain from patronizing itinerant deaf beggar-peddlers. If leaders among the deaf everywhere will do the same, they will go a long way toward eradicating the begging evil.

For the benefit of those in other states who wish to rid their own states of beggar-peddlers, Mr. Lauritsen's letter to the newspapers is published below: "Dear Editor:

"With the coming of warm weather gangs of deaf peddler-beggars are invading Minnesota. A short time ago several of them driving a car with Missouri license plates stopped at New Ulm. One of them entered the office of the editor of the New Ulm Journal and dropped a card on his desk. It read:

Ladies and Gentlemen Pardon my intrusion. I am a deafmute and unemployed. Selling this is my sole support for my family.

Each sale is appreciated.

—May God Bless You—
Pay What You Wish
THANK YOU

The editor fished out a nickel and handed it to the man, intent on getting rid of him. After he had gone, the editor wondered about the fellow's trade and bolted out the door after him in pursuit. He soon caught up to him and found that he had a partner. There was a woman with them too. It was found they were vagabonds, traveling from town to town, living off a gullible and soft-hearted public.

"There are many like these. They are trained by unscrupulous leaders from a central headquarters, the nerve center of the whole widespread racket. These peddler-beggars are recruited from the young and irresponsible element of the deaf.

"The Minnesota Association of the Deaf and the National Association of the Deaf want you to know that the use of deafness to prompt sympathy is condemned, vigorously condemned, by the deaf everywhere. At the request of the Minnesota Association of the Deaf the 1953 State Legislature passed a law, Chapter 310—H.F. No. 888, that makes it a misdemeanor to sell or distribute alphabet cards while begging or peddling.

"The Minnesota Association of the Deaf in convention assembled issued a mandate to its officers to put an end to the nefarious racket of beggar-peddler gangs in the state. These people come with some cheap article, often band-aids or alphanet cards, asking help to support a usually non-existent family. They obtain money under false pretenses.

"We ask your help to rid the State of these gangs. When they approach you in restaurants, taverns, or elsewhere, do not give them money. Give them the thumbs down sign! Report them to the police who have been alerted. Remember some of these people who pose as deaf are impostors, fakers. Others are deaf who could be working. The deaf of the United States have attained a high degree of success by honest endeavor. They are capable workers. They ask no sympathy, want none.

Yours very truly, Wesley Lauritsen, *President* 

#### Illinois Plans Outing; Traffic Bureau Formed

The second annual outing of the Illinois Association of the Deaf will be held at spacious Starved Rock State Park, La Salle, Illinois, all day Sunday, June 27, according to an announcement released by President Leonard Warshawsky.

During the 20th Triennial convention of the Association, held at the same place last year, close to 1500 members were present, meeting old friends and making new ones. They drank in Nature's handiwork; some took to water, swimming and boating in the historic Illinois River, while others went hiking around the park's 1,436 acres. All expressed a desire to return this year, and they have that opportunity in the out-

ing being prepared by the Association officials.

The Association has been active in the interests of the deaf of the state since the convention. Keeping abreast of the times, it has formed a Traffic Bureau, with objectives similar to those of the Ohio Deaf Motorists' Association. A committee is being set up to head united activities by the deaf of the state in facilitating their ownership and operation of motor vehicles. It will promote measures designed to safeguard the rights of deaf drivers, to maintain the reputation of the deaf as safe drivers, to prevent discrimination against deaf motorists in the courts and legislature of the State of Illinois, to secure adequate motor vehicle liability insurance at reasonable rates, and to provide deaf motorists with information and assistance which is expected to contribute to their comfort, safety, and pleasure, which rightfully go with automobile ownership.

Services of the traffic department, according to Warshawsky, are available to all members of the Association and all deaf persons in the state who are not members are urged to join and take advantage of this and other services rendered by the Association. The membership dues are \$1.00 from convention to convention, which amounts to thirty-three and one-third cents per year.

The Illinois Association was incorporated in 1905. Among other services it provides, it sponsors a home for the aged at Evanston, and it publishes a state-wide bulletin as its official organ. The next convention will be held in East St. Louis in 1957.

#### Names Requested for Directory

Mr. J. M. Robertson, who is compiling a complete directody of all the deaf, has requested us to remind our readers that if they wish to have their names included in the directory, they should inform him without delay. He has an extensive list of names on hand ready for the directory, but if it is to be as complete as is hoped, every deaf person should send in his name. Mr. Robertson's address is 305 West Martin Street, P. O. Box 1921, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Another interesting project Mr. Robertson has underway is a scratch pad with the manual alphabet printed on the back of each sheet. The deaf almost all use scrath pads in conversation with hearing persons and the Robertson pads enable them to give their friends the alphabet without keeping a supply of the usual alphabet cards.

Mr. Robertson also is publishing a book of sermons entitled "Sermons to the Deaf," which was advertised some time ago. He has informed us that publication is slow, but it was expected to be completed this month.

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